

וימן אדונים Martin Patching

Target for Patching

WATFORD, busier than most clubs on the transfer front this season, may well call it a day after making four signings - Wilf Rostron, Mick Henderson, Eric Steele and Martin

The signing of Patching took Watford's spending spree to £500,000 in two months and he could be the last link in the chain as Watford search for Second Division stability.

Watford, with Ross Jenkins - their 26-goal star of last season - out of action this term following an ankle break, have not found it easy in the scoring stakes.

Midfielders Rostron and Patching can go a long way to offsetting the deficit.
Rostron grabbed 11 goals in

34 appearances for Sunderland last season and Patching, in his most successful season for Wolves, grabbed 7 goals in 34

Patching, happy playing as a midfielder or forward, always looked on Derek Dougan as his hero. "I couldn't see enough of him," says Patching. "He was the greatest for me." the greatest for me.

Blackburn, Aston Villa, Peterborough, Leicester, Wolves and Northern Ireland fame, certainly knew plenty about the scoring business.

So, perhaps a lot of that may rub off on Patching, a player so keen to do well after making only 79 appearances for Wolves in five seasons.

Oakey's a snip

at just £70,000

IT'S good to see full-back

Graham Oakey in League action again. Oakey, signed by Swindon on a month's loan

from Coventry, could prove quite an asset to the Wiltshire

Oakey, just back after two years of misery - he didn't make one appearance last term

for Coventry - was twice the

He looked a great prospect when making his League debut

victim of a nasty knee injury.

1974, and went on to win the

club's Player-of-the-Year award

as he gave some outstanding displays. The 25-year-old could prove quite a bargain at £70,000!

in the 2-2 draw against Manchester City in September,

signed him after that match. Mind you, he comes from good stock. His dad Johnny was a Manchester City stalwart and his brother is the Leeds and former Stockport and Blackpool Well, Dougan, of Portsmouth, centre-half.

Tulsa import for Leicester

THERE aren't many England-

born players who can say they

were spotted and signed by a

Nigel Hart can. After a spell with Wigan Athletic, he played

Roughnecks against Leicester,

Sunderland on the Saturday and

Shrewsbury and Derby.
Leicester then watched him play at Derby on the Wednesday, invited him to watch their game with

Football League side while playing for an American team. But 20-year-old centre-half

in three games for Tulsa



Graham Oakey £70,000 move to Swindon after two years of miserv.

MATCH UIEW VOL 1 No. 20

SO Alan Ball is set to leave Southampton later this year and after spending a summer with Vancouver Whitecaps may return to negotiate his own contract with a new club, possibly in the Second

What a loss for ambitious Lawrie McMenemy that would be and what a loss for the South Coast club who have enjoyed so

much of the inspiration Ball pours into his game.

It appears that a small section of The Dell crowd would be held responsible for the little redhead going on his way. If so, Ball may well have over-reacted to the hostile attentions of the minority but how sheepish some of those so-called fans will feel if Ball does part company with Southampton

Why have characters like these two little men contributed so much to the game? Without doubt, the major reason is their great love of football.

His spirit was particularly apparent one frosty night last winter as Southampton trailed 2-0 to Wolves at Molineux. The referee had checked full-time with both linesmen and was near to blowing the final whistle, yet Ball still exploded when a colleague failed to dispute a 50-50 ball with an oncoming Wolves' player. That's the

sort of spirit every fan should crave for in his team.

Southampton will miss the little man if he goes on his way. But whatever he decides to do next winter. MATCH WEEKLY wishes him well. The game needs his brand of enthusiasm.

The Editor

 COVER PICTURE: Horizontal high jinks! Peter Withe gets in a flying header for Newcastle as Birmingham's Don Givens challenges.

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IAM McFaul, former Newcastle United goalkeeper and now coach to the Second Division promotion-chasing club, is in line to succeed Danny Blanchflower as Northern Ireland's manager. If Arsenal's Terry Neill does not accept the job, and it is most unlikely then McFaul is favourite.

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Gregg stays put

FORMER Northern Ireland goalkeeper Harry Gregg has rejected a lucrative offer from Greek club Panathanaikos. He

turned down a £40,000 per year contract in deciding to remain with Manchester United

Germany — final piece of eight!

WEST Germany made up the final piece of the European Championship jigsaw when, as expected, they qualified for the finals in Rome by beating Turkey 2-0.

They join Italy, England, Belgium, Spain, Holland, Czechoslovakia and Greece in the draw which will be made on January 16.

Israel date for Ireland . . .

WORLD Cup fever will soon be on us. Northern Ireland are set to hit the '82 trail in three months time with an away match against Israel.

The fixture - due to be played on March 26 - will be the first in Group 6 which also includes Sweden, Portugal and Scotland.

Scotland, however, must wait

Group 4: England v Norway (September 10); Norway v Rumania (Sept. 24); Rumania v England (Oct. 15); Switzerland v Norway (Oct. 29); England v Switzerland (Nov. 19); England v Rumania (April 29, 1981); Hungary v Rumania (May 13); Norway v Hungary (May 20); Switzerland v England (May 30); Rumania v Norway (Line 3); Hungary v England (June 6). England (May 30); Rumania v Norway (June 3); Hungary v England (June 6); Norway v England (Sept. 9); Rumania v Hungary (Sept. 23); Rumania v Switzerland (Oct. 10); Hungary v Switzerland (Oct. 14); Hungary v Norway (Oct. 31); Switzerland v Rumania (Nov. 7); England v Hungary (Nov. 18). (Date of the Norway v Switzerland fixture still to be decided.) until September 10 for their first

match – away to Sweden. On that same day England will begin their bid to reach the finals in Spain with a Group 4 match against Norway at

The full list of all-important dates for the two groups is as follows:

Group 6: Israel v Northern Ireland (March 26); Sweden v Israel (June 18); Sweden v Scotland (Sept. 10); Northern Ireland v Sweden and Scotland v Portugal (Oct. 15); Israel v Sweden (Nov. 12); Portugal v Northern Ireland (Nov. 19); Portugal v Israel (Dec. 17); Israel v Scotland (Feb. 25, 1981); Scotland v Northern Ireland (March 25); Northern Ireland v Portugal and Scotland v Israel (April 29); Sweden v Northern Ireland (June 3); Sweden v Portugal (June 17 or 24); Scotland v Sweden (Sept. 9); Portugal v Sweden (Oct. 14); Israel v Portugal (Oct. 28); Portugal v Scotland and Northern Ireland v Israel (Nov. 18).



Pictures by Duncan Cubitt

SATURDAY SNIPPETS

THERE have been nearly three times as many home penalty goals as away successes this season. It was four times on Saturday when eight home players and only two visitors scored from penalties.

MORE wins on Saturday for clubs hot on the promotion trail who have managers in their first full season were chalked up by Chelsea (Geoff Hurst), Walsall (Alan Buckley) and Huddersfield Town (Mick Buxton).

ALAN Brown's hat-trick for Sunderland in Saturday's 4-0 win over Oldham was only the season's ninth in the Second Division. There have been ten in the First Division only four in the Third and seven in the Fourth. Of to 30 total the only two from non-

Englishmen came from Fulham Welshman Gordon Davies and Bristol Rovers Eire international Miah Dennehy.

BOLTON'S defeat on Saturday, which left them with only one victory in 24 matches, leaves them in danger of setting up a new record for the fewest wins in a season by any First Division team in the last 60 years. The fewest in that time: four each by QPR in 1968-69 and Blackpool in 1970-71

SATURDAY saw the season's sending-off cases in Football League matches only rise to 66 and that's three more than at the same stage last

STILL another Hillsborough defeat left Sheffield Wednesday as the only team among the 92 with more away than home points. No wonder manager Jack Charlton is baffled by such a Jekyll-Hyde element!

EX-SCOTTISH international Peter Lorimer's goal for York City was his 162nd in Football League matches. The only current non-Englishman who has scored more are Ted MacDougall (Bournemouth) with 253 and Swansea player-manager John Toshack (167).

RELEGATION looms nearer than ever after further defeats for three clubs with firstseason managers: Derby County (Colin Addison), Charlton Athletic (Mike Bailey) and Bury (Dave Connor).

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Saints alive! Liverpool drop a point

"CRISIS, crisis, I suppose we've got another crisis on our hands now," said Ray Kennedy with a chuckle as he walked past the press ranks after Liverpool's surprise 1-1 draw at home to Southampton on Saturday.

It summed up the way Liverpool are viewed now by the rest of the country, although skipper Phil Thompson was not unduly surprised by the visitors' success.

'They've got a lot of experienced players in the side who are not put off by the Kop and the big fellows at the back, Chris Nicholl and Dave Watson, played very well," he said.

A booking for Alan Ball marred what could well be his last appearance at Anfield

Naturally he was pleased with a point. "I'm also happy because the club's heading the right he said.

We set our stall out today. You've got to get players out to attack Liverpool. It's no good getting penned into your own half because there will be no way out.

As he left Anfield, 'Ballie' couldn't resist commenting on the uncertainty surrounding his future. With a wry smile and in reference to Liverpool's great rivals, he said: "If a coaching job comes up down the road put my name down for it!"



PHIL BOYER'S first away goal in the league put him clear at the top of the First Division scoring chart with 20. It was enough to earn Southampton a point at Liverpool for whom Terry McDermott scored from the penalty spot.

MATCH NEWS

Boyer's No 20

Division One: 20 - Boyer (Southampton).

19 - Johnson (Liverpool). 15 - Stapleton.
Sunderland (Arsenal). 14 - Kidd (Everton).
Dalglish (Liverpool). Hoddle (Spurs). 12 Ward (Brighton, Biley (Derby — all for Cambridge United). Crooks (Stoke).
Division Two: 20 - Allen (QPR). 17 Moss (Luton). Shoulder (Newcastle). 14 Robson (Sunderland). Croos (West Ham). 13 Davies (Fulham). McNeil (Wrexham). 12 Reilly (Cambridge United, 7 for Northampton). Vinter (Wrexham).
Division Three: 22 - Mayes (Swindon). 20 Rowland (Swindon). 16 - Austin (Mansfield). 14 - Glavin (Barnsley). Lee (Colchester), Price (Gillingham). 13 - Moss (Chesterfield). 8 owker (Exeter). Earles (Reading). 12 - Birch (Chesterfield). Cumming (Grimsby). Finney (Rotherham). Curran (Sheffield Wednesday). Leslie (Wimbledon).
Division Four: 17 - Robins (Huddersfield). 6 - Penn (Walsall), 5 - Fletcher (Huddersfield). 14 - Kellock (Peterborough). Cooper (Torquay). 13 - Watts (Darlington). 12 - Nimmo (Doncaster). Brisley (Portsmouth). Lawrence (Torquay).

'Lee must earn right to play' says Hurst

CHELSEA boss Geoff Hurst says of his new signing Colin Lee: "He's got to earn the right to get into the team.

And judging by Chelsea's performance against promotion rivals Newcastle on Saturday that won't be easy.
Added Hurst: "The policy is

not just to buy players when you are bottom of the table. There is no pressure on Colin to get straight into the team.

Probably the worst thing that happened to him at Tottenham was scoring four goals on his debut - it put so much pressure on him.

Beat the panel

WE HAVE been inundated with entries for our Beat the Panel competition in our December 27 issue in which we asked readers to forecast the outcome of Divisions 1, 2 3, and 4 in the English League, the FA Cup, Scottish Premier and European championship. The prize for the first all-correct entries is a fabulous £200 Music Centre.

We must now put a closing date of FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1980 on the competition, so if you haven't filled in your coupon on page 9 of the December 27 issue do so right away and send it to Beat the Panel, Match Weekly, 117 Park Road, Peterborough PE1 2TS.

New England WINNE

YOUR chance to pick The New England, and show Ron Greenwood just where he's going wrong, brought such a massive response that our team of judges, headed by Wolves' manager John Barnwell, really had to burn the midnight oil.

And it was no easy task. Your brief had been to name an International squad who hadn't appeared for their country before. So the likes of Clemence and Hughes, Latchford and Barnes were definitely out.

Many of the choices, however, showed tremendous imagination and turned up some tremendous alternatives to the current England squads. "I was so impressed with some that I think I'll go out and buy a few of those suggested," laughed John Barnwell.

On a more serious note, he complimented the entrants for producing squads which showed real balance and potential for the future. Some of these lads have put tremendous thought into their

selections. I congratulate them all," he said. The winners are listed below with Richard Clark, of Hinckley, Leics., named as the lad with the best squad of all. All of them will get a day out with a top player.

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Winning entries were:
Richard Clark (aged 21), Hinckley, Leics., who sent in this squad: goalkeepers — Tony Godden (WBA), Paul Cooper (Ipswich Town), Les Sealey (Coventry); defenders — Brendan Batson (WBA), John Craggs (Middlesbrough), Paul Hart (Leeds United), Geoff Merrick, capt. (Bristol City), Tommy Caton (Man. City), John Balley (Everton); midfield — Brian Horton (Brighton), David Price (Arsenal), Garry Mills (Notts F), Alan Devonshire (West Ham), Garry Stanley (Everton), Nick Holmes (Southampton); forwards — John Chiedozie (Orient), Stan Cummins (Sunderland), Peter Withe (Newcastle), Mick Ferguson (Coventry), Mick Robinson (Man City), Clive Allen (QPR), Gary Shaw (Aston Villa).

Nigel Walt (28), Barry, South Wales: goalkeepers — John Burridge (Crystal Palace), Les Sealey (Coventry), Tony Godden (WBA); defenders — Batson (WBA), Caton (Man City), Williams (Brighton); midfield — Devonshire (West Ham), Power (Man City), Stanley (Everton), Price (Arsenal), Horton, capt (Brighton), Holmes (Southampton); forwards — Ferguson (Coventry), Allen (QPR), Cummins (Sunderland), Robinson (Man City), Withe (Newcastle), Woods (Ipswirch), Ritchie (Man Utd).

Stephen Williams (16), Birmingham: goalkeepers — Burridge (Crystal Palace), Cooper (Ipswich), Godden (WBA); Caton (Men City), Gallagher (Birmingham), Hird (Leeds), Bailey (Everton), Wicks (QPR);

midfield — MacKenzie (Man City), Fillery (Chelsea), Horton, capt (Brighton), Arnott (Sunderland), Dillon (Birmingham), Mills (Notts F); forwards — Clarke (Wolves), Shaw (Aston Villa), Allen (OPR), Robinson (Man City), English (Coventry), Ritchle (Man Utd) and Shoulder (Newcastle), Dave Fryer (19), Dudley, West Midlands: goalkeepers — Burridge (Palace), Cooper (Ipswich), Godden (WBA); defenders — Batson (WBA), Hird (Leeds), Walford (Areenal), Hart (Leeds), Foster (Brighton), Gibson (Aston Villa); midfield — Chiedozie (Orient), Stanley (Everton), Murphy, capt (Crystal Palace), MacKenzie (Man City), Devonshire (West Ham), Price (Arsenal); forwards — Walker (Chelsea), Burke (OPR), Robinson (Man City), Cross (West Ham), Shaw (Aston Villa), Ritchie (Man Utd), Allen (QPR). Molister (Spurs), Godden (WBA); defenders — Stephene (Luton), Money (Fulham), Miller (Spurs), Godden (WBA); defenders — Stephene (Luton), Money (Fulham), Miller (Spurs), Eaton (Man City), McAllister (Spurs), Bailey (Everton), Power, capt (Man City), Irvine (Stoke), Devonshire (West Ham), Cummins (Middlesbrough); forwards — Robinson (Man City), Randall (Stoke), Shoulder (Newcastle), Moss (Luton), Rowell (Sunderland), Mabbutt (Bristol City), Ritchie (Man Utd).

Alan Fitzgerald (18), Alum Rock, Birmingham; goalkeepers — Godden (WBA), Cooper (Ipswich), Lukic (Leeds); defenders — Caton (Man City), Gallagher (Birmingham), Bailey (Everton), Irwin (Liverpool), Batson (WBA), Shanks (OPR); midfielder — Bowyer (Notts F), MacKenzie (Man City), Devonshire (West Ham), Peake (Leicester), Price (Arsenal), Power (Man City), Gallagher (Birmingham), Bailey (Everton), Irwin (Liverpool), Batson (WBA), Shanks (OPR); midfielder — Bowyer (Notts F), MacKenzie (Man City), Provards — Shaw (Aston Villa), Robinson (Man City), Bennett (Man City), Ferguson (Coventry), Moss (Luton), Allen (QPR), Hunt (Coventry).

Honeymoon hitch

HONEYMOON plans for Crystal Palace's Peter Nicholas and his new bride Janice (pictured) had to play second fiddle to the F.A.

The couple had planned to spend a couple of days in South Wales after the Third Round cup-tie with Swansea.

But the match finished a draw and Peter had to return to Palace to prepare for the replay at Selhurst Park.

Said Peter who wed Janice on December 22 – the only free Saturday he's had this season: "Obviously we were both a

bit disappointed, but that's the way things go. We had some time together on the Saturday after the game but the honeymoon will have to be in the summer now



Scottish Cup

HOLDERS Rangers have been drawn away to First Division Clyde in the third round of the Scottish Cup.
Runners-up last year — Hibernian — will be away to either Meadowbank Thistle or Stranger

Stranraer.

The full draw (ties to be played on January 26) is: Airdrie v St Johnstone; Alloa or East Fife v Hearts; Arbroath v Aberdeen; Berwick v Stenhousemuir or Peterhead; Celtic v Raith; Clyde v Rangers; Clydebank v Stirling A; Coldstream or Queen of the South v Motherwell; Dumbarton v Ayr; Dundee United v Dundee; Dunfermline v Buckie Thistle or Brora Rangers; Morton v Cowdenbeath; Hamilton v Keith; Kilmarnock v Partick Thistle; St Mirren v Brechin or Montrose; Stranraer or Meadowbank v Hibernian.

STEVE BLOW TO SAINTS

YOUNG Southampton midfielder Steve Williams - so instrumental in the Saints' good form in the League this season - has been plagued by a mystery stomach strain.

Williams - looked on by some as a player who might figure in future plans of England manager Ron Greenwood - made an

CONGRATULATIONS to Emlyn Hughes awarded the O.B.E. in the Queen's New Year's

Honours list.
The Wolves' skipper, who picked up almost all the glittering prizes when leading Liverpool to glory in the Seventies said: "It was really hard keeping it a secret for a

month.
"It is a great honour, not only for me but for my profession.
"There's only one medal left

for me to win now – and that's the League Cup. Wouldn't it be ironic if Wolves reached the final and beat Liverpool to take

Gould: Why 'No' to Rovers

BOBBY Gould spoke of his decision to turn down the manager's job at Bristol Rovers and revealed: "It doesn't mean I don't

want a job as number one."
Gould, assistant manager at
Chelsea, but more of a managerial partner to Geoff Hurst, told MATCH WEEKLY:

"It was traumatic. It was a tremendous decision to have to make so early in my managerial career, but it was really loyalty to Geoff that swung it.

"He was emphatic that he wanted me at Chelsea and I knew I wasn't coming here just to carry the balls. It is a partnership thing.

"But it was a tremendous offer from Bristol. I've got a lovely house down there and the salary was better than I'm getting. If the offer had come a couple of years later I might have been swayed.

'I wouldn't have liked to have been the one to rock the boat at Chelsea, but it's not that I don't want to be the number one at some stage. It was a case of doing what was right at the time," said Gould.

He hasn't lost any sleep over the decision because, he says: "I always sleep." But he added: "You always have some regrets whatever decision you make.'

Thousands of Chelsea fans will be delighted that the managerial team that has taken their team to the top of Division Two is to remain unaltered.

impressive start to the season. Recently, however, his form

for Southampton has been somewhat sketchy and that was probably a significant feature of the Saints' defeat by

Birmingham in the Third Round of the F.A. Cup.

After the match the club were said to be having a close look at Williams' problem described as a 'deep-seated stomach strain'.

Just whether Williams' problem will mean a short rest from the game or whether it is something more serious remains to be seen.

Undoubtedly Saints' fans will be hoping the young star is once more buzzing again and back to full fitness.

Steve Williams . . . mystery iniury.



Luton's new White hope

STEVE White, Luton's recent £175,000 signing from Bristol Rovers, will be hoping he has much more success than his former striker partner Paul Randall had when he moved to a new club.

Both players signed professional at Bristol Rovers within a month of each other in the summer of 1977 and they made their League debuts in the season which followed.

Now White has followed Randall to another club - and at the same fee. But Randall, who cracked in 20 goals in 28 appearances for Rovers in 1977 - 78 and managed 13 from 21 games before moving to Stoke in December, 1978, did not find the going easy

at the Victoria Ground.

He made 20 appearances that term for Stoke but could only muster 5 goals. This season his games have been limited and the goals have dried up.

White, who hit 24 goals in 49 League appearances for Rovers, has been given a careful introduction to the Kenilworth Road scene. Luton are looking to him to add to their goals haul as they make a strong bid for promotion to the First Division.

Luton manager David Pleat says: "White is quick and aggressive. He is only 21 and will improve - and it's up to us to help make him better



Steve White, Luton's new signing in action (left) against Chelsea's Gary Chivers.

My respect for Villa

IN THE alphabet of football League clubs Aston Villa, our opponents at Old Trafford on Saturday, immediately follow Arsenal and it is fitting that they should be together because both clubs have fine footballing traditions and everything about them has a little touch of class.

For this reason alone it was with mixed feelings that I left Villa Park earlier on in the season after we had beaten them 3-1. Obviously I was delighted at the two points we had gained but I was also a little sad at the atmosphere within Villa Park that day.

From the very start of the season there have been rumblings in the newspapers about boardroom unrest and when Andy Gray and John Gidman asked for transfers it seemed that this unrest had been passed on to the players. Villa's poor start this season only echoed these feelings.

As I have said, on the day we beat Villa 3-1, but it was a very close game and to be quite honest

the score flattered us a little. Yet on the radio on the coach coming home it seemed that half of Birmingham was phoning in to the local station calling for the heads of Ron Saunders and most of his team.

But Saunders stuck to his guns. He did what many people felt was committing professional suidcide and sold Andy Gray and John

Gidman and he began to buy players to rebuild the team and indeed the spirit within that team.

Slowly but surely the new men in his line up began to gell with the established players and results began to improve. The situation is such that at this moment Villa are very handily placed for a stab at Europe next season and are comfortably through to the fourth round of the cup, so it is with a lot more respect that we face a much happier Aston Villa club this Saturday.

It would no doubt have been in our interest if Villa's squabbles had continued, but I feel that it is for the good of football that at long last the quarrels are over and the rumour-mongers in the national press have to look elsewhere for the headlines.

It would seem that all Villa's new players will take more than their fair share of praise for Villa's recovery so I would like to air, not only mine, but most professionals views about the backbone of Villa.

By the backbone I mean the players who have come through the troubles unscathed and want to fight on for the club. Players like Rimmer, McNaught, Swain, Mortimer, Cowans and Little.

Gordon Cowans . . . proved me wrong when I first saw him play. Most footballers recognise and respect talent in other players and I should think that this season these players will have grown in stature in many professionals' eyes.

Gordon Cowans in particular is apparently playing very well and ! always remember the first time I played against him. It was at Old Trafford on a very rainy day. Out walked Gordon in kit that seemed three sizes too large and with legs so skinny that you thought he was guaranteed to tire and be substituted.

Appearances can be deceptive and at the end of 90 minutes I was still waiting for him to tire or even slow down a gear.

The beauty of football is its unpredictability. As a player, one week you can be world class and the next struggling to hold your place in the reserves. As a manager, one month you can be publically hung drawn and quartered and the next you can be put forward for Prime Minister - ask Ron Saunders!

Before I go I must just say a big thank you to everyone who sent me a Christmas Card.

See you soon. . . .



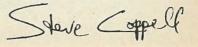
Hands up all those who think United can win the championship! . . from

the left, Jimmy Nicholl, Gary Bailey, Martin Buchan, Sammy McIlroy,

Gordon McQueen, Andy Ritchie and Mickey Thomas.



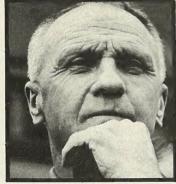
You go your way Willie, I'll go mine' . . . Here I just avoid a tackle from Arsenal's Willie Young in the recent clash at Old Trafford. Looking on is John Devine.





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FOUR-PAGE SPECIAL ON 10-YEARS OF RED DOMINATION



Bill Shankly - the man who started it all with a football philosophy that appealed to Liverpool followers everywhere.



Bob Paisley - he carried on the good work when Shankly retired and led Liverpool to two European Cup wins.

THE TRAINING ground was falling apart, the pitch was a mess and Liverpool were struggling to get out of the Second Division when Bill Shankly first stamped his huge personality on Anfield.

But the man who was soon looked upon as the Messiah of Merseyside knew that he was in on the start of something

big. At the training ground Shankly, full of red-hot passion, told the only reporter at his first press conference: "Put in your newspaper that this is where Liverpool Football Club will be

made great."

"Whether he wrote it or not I don't know, but I meant what I said," Shankly said.

"I had to get the training sorted out before anything else took shape. On my first day I came down with two big bags of balls.

'Jimmy Melia was a player here then and I saw his eyes light up. I said: 'You can forget about lapping the pitch from

now on, son'."
So 'Shanks', as he was affectionately known throughout football, had sown the seeds for the Liverpool

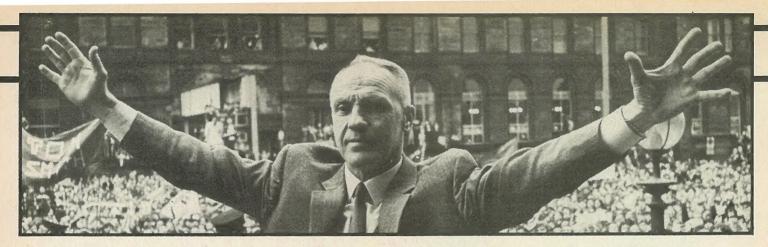
But what an incredibly huge flower it blossomed into. Shanks knew he was on a winner when he took the job but even he, the supreme optimist, could not have foreseen such a dramatic decade as the 1970's when Liverpool swept all before them.

"Liverpool Football Club is an institution," Shankly says.
"Success breeds success and that's what it's all about.
"The secret is simplicity and organisation. I'd seen what had

happened at other clubs when a manager left, so three years before I retired I made plans for the future.

'I shuffled the pack of trainers and promoted Bob Paisley to my assistant and Joe Fagan and Ronnie Moran up the

'It meant that when I decided



SHANKLY INDOCTRINATED ANFIELD WITH THE SLOGAN

to leave in 1974 Bob could easily take my place and everybody else move up one.
"It was the same when I took

control in December, 1959. I called the trainers in and said that I knew enough of their reputations to leave well alone. They had already served their apprenticeship with Liverpool so what was the sense in

bringing new men in?
"Players may not like it if you start changing things about so the best thing to do is stick to

the pattern.

"Everybody at Liverpool Football Club have always worked together and I can honestly say in my 15 years I never had one argument with the coaching staff. And we were all indoctrinated with the slogan: 'Losing is a dirty word'."

Shankly's pride and passion for the game gave him a special place in the hearts of football followers on Merseyside. They had long developed a love-affair with the national game and Shanks was the spark that brought it all to life.

"All the club had when I arrived was potential," Shankly added. "I sensed that the fans would come to us if we had a good enough team.

Being a Scot and being closely involved as a boy with Celtic and Rangers, I realised that Liverpool was a similar place to Glasgow. Talk about Liverpool people and you talk about pride and heart and enthusiasm and passion and

When I came to Anfield I came to manage on behalf of Liverpool Football Club, and the players and the staff, but above all on behalf of the people of the city. I knew that anything did to bring success to the club would make the supporters proud of themselves and proud

of their team.

'At the end of the day, the game belongs to the supporters and anybody in the game who chastises them should go and stand on the terraces.

'I once saw a policeman take a scarf off a boy on the Kop and throw it away. I told him to go and pick it up. That scarf was precious to the lad – he'd paid good money for it.

'It's amazing the number of people who come to Anfield asking to scatter the ashes of a relative on the pitch. None of them were ever turned away -

Losing is a lirty word

that's not the way Liverpool work.
"I know we once put a casket

in the left-hand side of the goal at the Kop end and for a spell that goal seemed to lead a charmed life. I said at the time that the casket was heading the

Shankly obviously loves talking about the Merseyside followers who were all welcomed into the Anfield

He loves talking about players even more. You get the feeling interviewing him that he must live on a desert island - so keen is he to tell you about 'my lads', the players who not only brought success but pride and dignity to Liverpool F.C.

Shankly's first great team began to take shape in the early 1960 s and bore fruition with League Championship wins in 1963-64, 1965-66 and an F.A. Cup victory in 1965.

"Winning the Cup in '65 was terribly important. It took the weight off our fans who were constantly being ribbed because it was a trophy we had never won before.

"It was a great team. We had big Ron Yeats at the back and he could hold a whole forward line up by himself. As we developed, the pattern of the side changed and when Phil Thompson came in we were

able to start our attacks from the back because he is such a skilful performer.

'We learned from the Continentals as well and in turn had to teach the fans to be patient. We had to make ourselves and them learn that we could not score a goal every time we had the ball.

We only used shirt numbers as a means of identifying players. We played Tommy Smith in a number ten shirt as sweeper. People said to me: our inside-left's not scoring many goals'. I replied: 'no, but he's stopping a few at the other

"I think if the '65 team had had Ray Clemence in goal we would have won the European Cup – despite the opposition of Real Madrid and Ferencyaros, who were possibly the best teams ever to come to Anfield.

Yet another aspect of Liverpool Football Club which continually baffles others is their ability to smooth over the cracks without any duress. How many times have you read about their players in trouble or fined for misbehaviour? Shanks

explains why.

"It's because they're
continually reminded how lucky
they are to play for Liverpool. They're told what an honour it is to play for the club.

"All our players play with common sense. They can all pass a ball and they can all control it. That's what the game's all about."

"If they misbehave they're cheating their pals. They're told not to come in if they've been misbehaving and it sinks in.

"I remember one of the only times Kevin Keegan relaxed on the pitch. Before I could get to him after the game Tommy Smith gave him a rollocking.

"When the young players come in and see people with the dignity of Kevin, Emlyn Hughes and Ray Clemence then they act accordingly.

Shanks sees most of Liverpool's home games but spends a lot of his free time now giving advice to other clubs – Wrexham and Wolves in particular.

"I've been in touch with many managers since I retired helping them sort out their problems. I've had offers to go on the board of different clubs or work abroad.

"But I don't want to be closely involved again. It was one of the reasons why I retired because I never seemed to be at home.

Occasionally though, he will drive his red-coloured – what else? – Datsun through the gates of the training headquarters at Melwood and enjoy a cup of tea with the backroom men.

Looking at Melwood today it's hard to believe it once consisted of overgrown grass and a broken-down pavilion infested with rats.

Such is the enormous debt Liverpool Football Club owes Mr Bill Shankly.

LIVERPOOL'S TEN-YEAR RECORD -

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F.A. CUP WINNERS: 1973 – 74.
U.E.F.A. CUP WINNERS: 1972 – 73, 1975 – 76.
SUPER CUP WINNERS: 1976 – 77.
LEAGUE CUP RUNNERS-UP: 1977 – 78.
CHARITY SHIELD WINNERS: 1974, 1976, 1977.
CHARITY SHIELD RUNNERS-UP: 1971.

THE LIVERPOOL STORY

THEY SAID a prayer on Merseyside for Bob Paisley when he took over as Liverpool manager from Bill Shankly How could anyone follow 'Shanks' - King of the Kop and creator of two marvellous teams?

Yet within three years the 'pupil' had gone one better than his 'master' – and there was the gleaming European Cup as

Quiet and sober to Shankly's electricity and fire, Paisley has proved that although his methods differ from those of his predecessor the end result is just as deadly.

Like Shankly, who welcomes each new day with thanks, Paisley takes nothing for granted. How else can you describe a manager who has watched his team turn in some magnificent displays in recent weeks yet still rates their Championship chances no higher than: 'We should be in with a shout.

He also dismisses with scorn, suggestions that they are past

WHY I FOLLOW THE REDS'

I STAND on the Kop - the excitement and passion generated by all the fans makes it unthinkable to stand anywhere else. My favourite player during the decade was Dalglish better even than the man he replaced, Kevin Keegan. Billy Stein, Anfield, Liverpool

THERE'S something about Liverpool. Other fans respect you and you're always asked back to grounds. The highlight of the 70's has to be Rome when we won the European Cup for the first time. We never seemed to stop celebrating! Mike Wills, Bootle, Liverpool

the need for coaching. Speaking before the F.A. Cup-tie with Grimsby inevitably Liverpool won, this time by five goals - Paisley waves an arm in the direction of a practice game on one of the training pitches at Melwood.

"What do you think those players are doing today? asks. "They're being coached on how to cope with the demands of a heavy pitch.

You've got to prompt players all the way along the line. Great though Stan Matthews and Tom Finney were, they would never throw away the benefit of an expert voice

Paisley has a great knack of making everything sound so simple. Such as the way he came to take over the manager's job when Shankly retired.

"I needed the money to live on and it was one of the best jobs going at the time.

It certainly was all of that. Shanks' flair for organisation

APRAYE FOR PAISIR

-and the European Cup in return

had made it easy for his successor to step in. All Paisley had to do was keep the thing ticking over, strengthen the squad here and there when need be and watch the silverware come rolling in.

'All we do is go out every week, aim to do our best and are grateful for whatever we receive at the end of it," he said.

"It's no good being complacent about it. We try and improve a little bit all the way along the line. Soccer runs in cycles and at the moment the teamwork and understanding is first-class. That's why we're scoring so many goals.

Our secret is simplicity and that's the hardest thing to achieve. It's hard not to complicate things. Simplicity and concentration - à la Geoffrey Boycott. The concentration that goes on at the training ground is absolutely unbelievable."

Paisley started off at Anfield FORTY years ago last May and was a player, reserve team manager, first-team trainer and assistant-manager before he became number one.

'I can't say I ever set out to become the manager," Paisley continued. "You take a job and do it to the best of your ability. But every job you do stands you in good stead for the ultimate task - the manager's chair

'Had anyone forecast in 1974 that I would lead Liverpool to the golden years of the UEFA



Wembley, 1978, and an unforgettable moment as Kenny Dalglish slips the ball past 'keeper Birger Jensen to give Liverpool a 1-0 European Cup Final victory over Bruges - and so retain the trophy.

Cup and League Championship, European Cup and League Championship, European Cup again, F.A. Cup and League Cup finals and claim the Manager of the Year award in successive seasons, I would probably have laughed in their face. Because that's the stuff of which dreams are made

'Similarly I don't want to look into the 80's and start predicting this and that. I'm not a prophet and don't like to look forward. I never look further than the next game.

He doesn't like to be drawn,

either on the quality of talent coming through the Anfield ranks - believing it does more harm than good to put players under the spotlight at an early

He has set no plans for his own withdrawal from that spotlight and says he'll keep going while he's in good health and the job doesn't get on top of him.

"Or until we lose two games in succession," says Paisley with a chuckle that sums up the success story that is Liverpool F.C.



WHY I FOLLOW THE REDS'

I FIRST got hooked when my grandmother bought me a Liverpool football kit. Now I hardly miss a game — and that includes all the European ties as well. It gets to the stage when you start 'collecting' grounds. I once went all the way to Plymouth for a testimonial because I'd never seen Liverpool play there John Green, Clubmoor, Liverpool

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THE LIVERPOOL STORY

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Ray Clemence

HE MUST have been the most amazing signing ever for sheer value. A good goalkeeper is a must because he is the last link. You can make mistakes out on the field and get away with it but if a goalkeeper makes one it's in the net. Clemence is a brilliant player and I'm convinced if we had him in the 60's side we would have won the European Cup.

Alec Lindsay

WHAT a brilliant player — but you had to force him to play. We really hammered him during training, not because we wanted to but because it was criminal to see so much talent go to waste. His greatest game was in a testimonial for Billy McNeill at Celtic. His father was a Scot and I told Alec to go out and show the great Scottish stars of the past that he could play. What an exhibition he gave that night against Jimmy Johnstone!



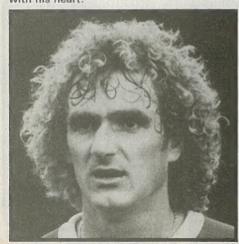
Tommy Smith

Tommy Smith

TOMMY was a great player, and a clever one with it. People used to say he had no skill, but I once saw him against West Ham when they had players of the quality of Geoff Hurst and Martin Peters. Tommy stood head and shoulders above everybody else that day.

Phil Thompson

ONE of the best players there's ever been at Anfield. He is urgent and obsessed with ambition and enthusiasm. He is full of ability as all the Liverpool players are. He's a man of steel and will die for you. I used to tell my players to fight with their hearts — not their hands. Phil Thompson fights with his heart.



Phil Thompson

BEST

WITH BILL SHANKLY

Emlyn Hughes

THE first time I saw Emlyn play I wanted to sign him. That's how sure I was of him. He's another one of the Phil Thompson mould — a marvellous competitor.

lan Callaghan

CALLAGHAN was a train. He had unlimited energy and would run all day. Nobody covered more territory and nobody was a more selfless player. With him in the side you could change from 4-2-4 to 4-3-3 during the game. A great player.

Kevin Keegan

HE WANTED to be first in everything, first in the sprints, first over the hurdles and first lifting the weights. A genuine player — he was not a fake and everything he did was for the good of the team. He played with the spirit of a Tommy Smith. In his first game in the First Division he scored one and made another.

Kenny Dalglish

A DIFFERENT player to Keegan but both have the same effect on the team. He is so aware of the needs of the side and possesses a cunning, clever brain. He is so unselfish, like all his team-mates. Like Keegan he's been a success at two clubs — a sure sign of a great player.



• Ian Callaghan

John Toshack

ANOTHER great player who got better and better as time went on. He was a sensible footballer and I'm not surprised he's done so well in management. He's taken the gospel of Liverpool and applied it to Swansea — plus a little of his own gospel.

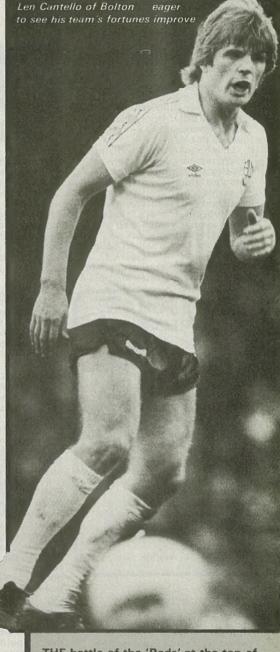
Steve Heighway

HE WAS a breath of fresh air to the side. He excited you with his style of playing it was breathtaking. He was also a good clubman. If he had started his career earlier his house would be full of medals and caps by now.

NEXT WEEK

- Ten years of Liverpool in pictures
- Where are they now

NO



THE battle of the 'Reds' at the top of the First Division rages on and I see both Liverpool and Manchester United picking up two points on Saturday... no doubt Coventry and Aston Villa fans will be dying to see me proved wrong!

The match of the day in the Second Division is undoubtedly Birmingham City v Chelsea. It's a crucial game for both teams and I reckon they will share the spoils.

I have predicted a possible scoreline for each match — you must use your football knowledge to try and beat

There's a space for you to fill in your own forecast and then at 5 o'clock on Saturday you can find out who got most right.

Watch out for more predictions next

LEN Cantello prepared for the nostalgic trip to his old 'home' at the Hawthorns on Saturday and admitted: "I still feel part of the Midlands.

The sentiment is hardly surprising when you consider that he spent 13 happy and dedicated years at West Brom.
And naturally enough he is

eagerly looking forward to his first game back at the Albion since his transfer to Bolton last summer.

Former team-mate and fellow midfielder Bryan Robson is still one of his closest friends in the game . . . although there will be no old pals when 3 o'clock comes round and the two of them begin a 90-minute battle for supremacy in the middle of the park.

On paper it should be Robson and Albion who call the tune, for although the 'Baggies' are having it far from their own way this season, Bolton have had a nightmare time.

It's true, things look absolutely desperate for Bolton but I still feel it will be possible to escape relegation if we can get a run together.

When the teams met in the League at Burnden Park earlier in the season the match finished 0-0 and Cantello is quick to point out that there are still some good players at Bolton.

"We have had team changes week after week, but you can't blame the manager for that he has to keep trying new ideas, but we have people who can play and we can improve.

One player we might have back is midfielder Peter Reid. He's been out for about a year, but he may be fit again for Saturday.

Then there's Mike Carter who recently entered the side and looks very promising up

on Saturday

front despite coming into a struggling team. As for myself I have got to improve my game as much as anyone else," said

"On the Albion side we will have to watch Cyrille Regis if he's fit and Peter Barnes who on his day can cause real problems. Then, of course, there's Bryan Robson in midfield.



Derek Spence, Southend

"We have had our troubles but we have got to make the best of it and I'm certainly looking forward to this game. I don't feel we are going to go there and just struggle through," said Cantello. Cantello will not be the only

player up against his old club at the weekend. Down at the Dell Mick Channon and Dave Watson will be out to maintain Southampton's good form this term at the expense of their old team-mates from Manchester City and I can't see them being disappointed.

Notts. County's central defender Jeff Blockley will be doing all he can to keep out his old side Leicester for whom he made 75 appearances. County have fallen away after a good start, but I reckon the spoils could still be shared.

In the Third Division Hull striker Keith Edwards - their top scorer last season with 24 goals - will be looking to add to his tally against his former team Sheffield United. However, United are on the crest of a wave and I don't for see a happy return for Edwards.

The Blackpool v Southend tie on Friday night provokes keen interest because the two clubs recently 'swapped' strikers. Colin Morris - at one time chased by Chelsea - was transferred from Southend to Blackpool and Derek Spence took the opposite road. I see



West Brom's Cyrille Regis . one man Bolton will have to watch if he's fit on Saturday.

Morris as the happier of the two at the end of the game.
A few managers will be up against their old clubs too — Derby's Colin Addison who goes to Highbury, Brighton's Alan Mullery who entertain Spurs and Coventry's Gordon Milne who has to face the seemingly unstoppable Liverpool.

Of the three Alan Mullery may well be the only one left with a smile on his face.

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Ask us

KEITH O'CONNOR, of Urmston, Manchester, asks:

IS IT true that Dave Watson got sent off in his first game for Werder Bremen?

• IT WASN'T his first game, Keith, but his third and it happened against Munich 1860 on August 18 last year.

MARK SHUTTLEWORTH, of Fleetwood, Lancs., asks:

WHO WON the F.A. Cup in 1968 and what was the capacity crowd? • WEST Bromwich Albion won the 1968 Cup Final 1 – 0 with an extra-time goal scored by Jeff Astle watched by 100,000 Wembley fans.

ANDREW MOLLINS, of Blackburn, Lancs., asks:

IS IT true that Blackburn Rovers have won the F.A. Cup three times consecutively? If so could you tell me in which years this happened?

 YOU'RE right, Andrew, Blackburn
Rovers won the F.A. Cups of 1884/85/86.
Queen's Park were their victims in the first two, while West Bromwich Albion lost 2-0 in an 1886 replay.

JILL LEATHERBARROW, of Bolton, Lancs., asks:

WHEN was the Charity Shield first played, and who has won it most times?

• MANCHESTER United were the first winners of the F.A. Charity Shield in 1908 when they beat Queen's Park Rangers 4-0 in a replay after drawing 1-1. United have won it a total of seven times as have

ROBIN PACE, of Holme-on-Spalding Moor, York, asks:

HAVE any teams from the same town ever west Bromwich Albion beat Birmingham
City 2-1, in 1967 Spurs defeated Chelsea -1 and in 1975, Fulham from the Second Division lost 2-0 to West Ham United.

DAVID WISEMAN, of Winchester, Hants., asks:

IS IT true that Ray Graydon of Aston Villa scored the winning penalty shot in the 1975 League Cup Final?

• RAY GRAYDON, now with Oxford

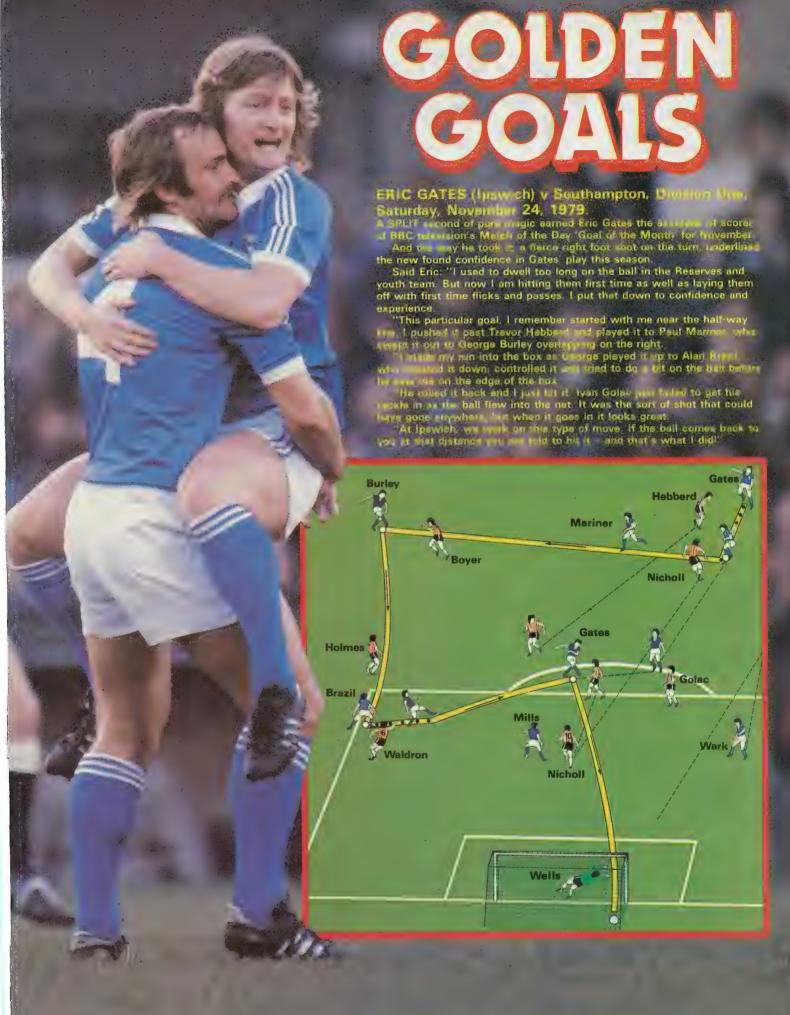
United, scored Aston Villa's penalty winner in the 1975 League Cup Final defeat of Norwich with the only goal of the match.

ROSEMARIE PEREIRA, of Mitcham, Surrey, asks:

WHAT happens when the same club wins the F.A. Cup and the Division One Championship? Which European Cup do they enter?

● TRADITIONALLY the League Champions enter the European Champions Cup in preference to the Cup Winners' Cup. Beaten finalists Leicester City in 1961 and Liverpool in 1972 took the places of Tottenham's and Arsenal's double-winning

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Cash incentive

OWING to the complaints about non-attacking football, I have thought of a way to stop it.

If a manager pays his players about £200 per week, and for every goal scored a bonus of £50 each, there would be a great deal of goals and good entertaining football.

This would also bring the crowds back to the grounds. John Summers, Findern, Derby

Oh yes! We seem to remember Bristol City being offered a King's ransom to beat Nottingham Forest in the League Cup replay. They managed one shot in 90 minutes and lost 3-0.

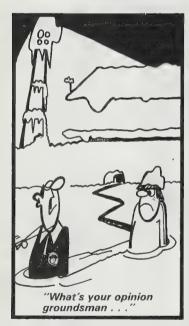
Remember Wemblev!

IN REPLY to Peter Bell's letter about Scottish attendances I would like to say:
Remember Wembley in 1977

and 1979 'The Tartan Invasion' How many sassenachs (English) could you spot in the crowd. I also recall Brian Moore and Denis Law saying they were trying in vain to spot any English fans. Poor support from Scottish fans? No.

On Saturday I went to the Bells Scottish League Cup final, the attendance was only 27,173 but this was the fourth week on the trot that the Aberdeen fans had to travel to Glasgow but they still came. The Scottish fans I think are the most loyal in the world.

Fraser Henderson, 19 Woodend Place, Aberdeen.



Five Geordies on parade

IN REPLY to Martin Clarke (Dec. 6 - 12) big deal if Liverpool and Everton had four Scousers each in their derby!

In Newcastle United's Second Division game with Fulham, which they won 2-0, they had no less than five Geordies in the team, three of whom were recently taken from Northern League clubs for a total cost of £25,0001

Beat that if you can!

Martin Quinn, Hartlepool, Cleveland.



no need to moan

SINCE the moves of Keegan, Cunningham and Woodcock to the Continent, we have heard nothing but moans of anguish from

Clough and others that top players are going to Europe.
But England has nothing to moan about because for years they've stolen the cream of the Scots, Welsh and Irish.
Examples — Dalglish, Gray, James, Flynn, O'Leary and Brady.
Their reasons, bigger wage packets. So why shouldn't your

top players go to Europe for more money?

Now, England are even taking players from Europe, South America and even Israel! So I think Brian should . . . shhhh! Sean Adams, Dunoon, Argyll.

Now don't be like that, Sean. It's natural for Scots, Welsh and Irish to want to play alongside such masters as the English. But our players go to the Continent and join foreigners. Ugh! It's just not on.

Clamp down on the cheats

I THINK that all referees and clubs should clamp down on soccer cheats. This, I think, spoils the game and also shows it up. An example was when Spurs played Manchester United in the League Cup. In the second half Mickey Thomas had the ball and Terry Yorath tackled hard to win it. Mickey Thomas made a dive and the referee blew up for a free-kick. We could tell that Thomas had made a dive for when he got up he winked and the 'Sportsnight cameras caught this but it was too late for from the free-kick United scored to make the score 2-1 in Spurs' favour. In the second leg Spurs lost 3-1 at Old Trafford. There is a way that soccer cheats can be stopped.

(a) by television cameras being installed in all grounds; (b) instead of referees

blowing up for a free-kick, when the ref isn't sure if it was a dive or a foul, a drop-ball should be used - this would benefit both teams and cheating would be stopped.

Robert Pespall, Swansea,

W. Glamorgan.

Less violence the answer

IN Steve Coppell's column he said that he thinks that to attract people to football grounds we should have more entertainment.

I would like to disagree on this point. I think that if you go to a football match you go to see goals and good football, not for the entertainment and for somewhere to go for a day out.

Perhaps if there was less violence it would encourage people to go and see their favourite team.

I support Manchester United but because of the violence I am not allowed to go and see them. I think if someone watches on television it is better than not watching at all. Ruth Henry, Nuneaton.

• I agree with your point about violence, Ruth, but you've got us a bit puzzled about qualifying the word entertainment. Surely, football entertainment IS goals and good football. Send us your full address Ruth - and we'll send you

SOMETHING to say about the game of soccer - or about something you've read in this magazine? Then this is YOUR page. Write to Terrace Talk, MATCH WEEKLY, Midgate House, Midgate, Peterborough, PE1 1UB. Full names and addresses, please, and your age if you don't mind telling us! Best letter of the week wins £10. Every other letter published - £2.

Rimmer showered

I AM writing to complain about the stupid minority of Norwich and Nottingham Forest supporters

At Norwich, Aston Villa 'keeper Jimmy Rimmer was showered under a hail of coins and an amazing £9 in change was found in the penalty area and at Forest Pat Jennings of Arsenal had a dart thrown at his left arm and it reached its target. The answer to this, I think, is to keep the area just behind the goal free of fans.

Martin Anderson, East Herrington, Sunderland.

• Full credit to the goalkeepers here. Jimmy Rimmer gave his collection to the ball-boys and Pat Jennings, as great a sportsman as he is a goalkeeper, just pulled out the dart and carried on playing.

Scrap those sponsors

NOW that England again has a respectable team, let us return to a more respectable kit and once again, as in Sir Alf Ramsey's days, wear navy blue and white.

The world recognises England in those colours, we don't need to advertise sponsor's names on the national kit.

Let's have all-white shirts with the '3 lions crest', all-navy blue shorts and all-white socks. The 'silky look' sported by many teams in England, e.g. Forest, Ipswich, Man. City, is acceptable but not the flashes and stripes please.

Shaun O'Brien, Spalding, Lincs.

Let's worry first about winning something, Shaun, and then I don't think any of us would bother if they wore bikinis covered in black spots and white stripes.

Ossie's second fiddle

WHAT'S happened to Osvaldo Ardiles? Last season he was like a breath of fresh air. Now the tiny Spurs' midfielder seems to have been dragged down to the level of the average First Division schemer.

I feel sorry for him being played up front, I hope Ossie can become his old self again but I wonder if he and Glenn Hoddle can really play together. Both are play makers and a team can't have two such midfield generals.

Last season Glenn was the one out in the cold, now Ossie is playing second fiddle.

Spurs and English football need the talented Argentine playing to his full potential and the only way he can do that is to be made the midfield general again.

Clive Gregory, Brislington,

• Steady, Clive! Ossie is as great a player now as last season. It's just that Tottenham have found so much more purpose as a team that no individual looks quite as outstanding any more - that is until Hoddle scores one of his specials!

OUTRAGEL

WELCOME to our new column - Outraged. It stems from many of the outraged views we receive each week from MATCH WEEKLY readers - and which, in turn, outrage MATCH writer, TREVOR **HAYLETT.** Why not outrage him still further – and win £2 in the process – by sending in your controversial and outrageous views to MATCH WEEKLY. And if you want to comment on his comments, go ahead.



Angry Scots, for instance, should read England's bubble too strong . . .

NO WAY TO SPEAK ABOUT THE KING

WHY ALL the fuss about Kevin Keegan? I think he's a terrible player and because you lot at MATCH WEEKLY think he's brilliant this letter won't get printed. For him to be voted European Footballer of the Year is absolute trash — I've seen better players in the Fourth Division. I have watched him play for England and seen him lose the ball dozens of times. Darrell Taylor (13), Camberley, Surrey.

 What a load of twaddle, Darrell. European Footballer of the Year twice in succession speaks for itself.

Everton? Give me Tranmere any day

IN REPLY to A. Borland (MATCH, No. 14) who mentioned the supporters of Rochdale and Halifax, what about Tranmere Rovers, whose small ground lies in the shadow of the grounds

of Liverpool and Everton?

If any of the local population supported Tranmere they would be laughed at, whereas any one of the thousands who turn out every Saturday to watch Liverpool and Everton would be regarded as lucky by the humble Tranmere fans. With the grounds of Liverpool and Everton nearby, who would bother to pay to see humble Tranmere Rovers of the Fourth Division? Surely Tranmere supporters are the best example of stalwart supporters.

Andrew Pattison, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts. After some of the rubbish I've seen Everton dish up this year

I'd much rather watch Tranmere.

Don't knock John Bond

I'VE BEEN listening with great interest to the arguments for and against the importing of foreign stars and particularly the views of Norwich manager John Bond. With all due respect I don't think Mr Bond is qualified to make these statements without

having experience in managing foreign stars.

As a Manchester City supporter I have watched the influence foreign stars 'Kazi' Deyna and Dragoslav Stepanovic have had on the younger players at Maine Road. Any measures taken against foreign players will be detrimental to the English game. Martin Haworth, Bury, Lancs.

Don't knock John Bond's views on the game. Anybody who takes a team of basically ordinary players near to the top of the First Division knows what he's on about.

England's bubble too strong for Scots

IN REPLY to Peter Bell and his letter about the bursting of the Scottish bubble, he'd better watch it before someone bursts his bubble. The Scottish Premier League is the most competitive in Great Britain and the fans are the keenest and most supportive. Just wait until Hampden when Scotland will burst England's bubble.

David Munro, Ayrshire, Scotland.

 You've burst your own bubble mate. Scotland's Premier League attendances are dismal compared with the English First Division and the game nowhere near as competitive. As for Hampden, here's a forecast — Scotland 1, England 3.



Spearheads!
Woodcock v Stapleton
Analysis by W.B.A. boss Ron Atkinson

NINE-year-old Richard Ford of 20 Park Gate Road, Cannock Wood, near Rugeley, Staffs., is the sixth and final winner of a super leather football autographed by West Bromwich Albion players.

Richard suggested a comparison of Tony Woodcock of FC Cologne and England and Frank Stapleton of Arsenal and Eire for the Ron Atkinson analysis — and the W.B.A. manager duly obliged . . .

ARSENAL's Frank Stapleton and Tony Woodcock, now making a name for himself in Germany following his £650,000 transfer from Nottingham Forest to FC Cologne, are great at spearheading attacks against the foundations of sides.

They possess a different approach to scoring goals, though. Woodcock is about mobility, pace and liveliness. Stapleton has all these things and is also very brave and is prepared to go in for crosses where boots are flying and will score goals by sheer guts.

score goals by sheer guts.
Woodcock doesn't score as many goals as Frank, yet his skill and his endless endeavour should entitle him to more.
Sometimes I've wondered whether he's one of those unlucky players because often when I watched Forest play he appeared to have a lot of

chances that just miss, hit the post or bring out the best in a goalkeeper. With a bit more composure he would have stuck one of two more of those

Stapleton looks a regular 20-goal a season player which is testament to any top striker in the First Division. He also looks to have worked very, very hard on his game particularly his control. He's prepared now to turn people more when the ball is played into him.

Before, he used to do a lot of the donkey work to let Malcolm Macdonald make breaks, and now with Alan Sunderland alongside him, he looks to have a perfect partner for his own

woodcock is particularly good at turning defenders. His pace is blinding. He never stops working and he's always prepared to drag defenders the full width of the field particularly when he gets on that left-hand side and they find it very disconcerting.

From a shooting point of view although Woodcock has a blistering shot, Stapleton scores here because I feel that he hits the target more often, but Woodcock would come out top on ball control.

Woodcock is brighter with his passing and if he isn't attacking, Stapleton's merely happy to lay off balls to Brady, Rix and Talbot and let those people do the inventive work while he goes searching for places upfield.

Neither are great tacklers but they're prepared to hustle and close people down effectively.

Corners, set plays, any balls that are played into the box — Stapleton's a brave lad and is undoubtedly the better of the two at heading. He climbs so well. Woodcock is useful in the air but the Irishman comes out top, nine to eight for me.

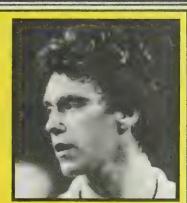
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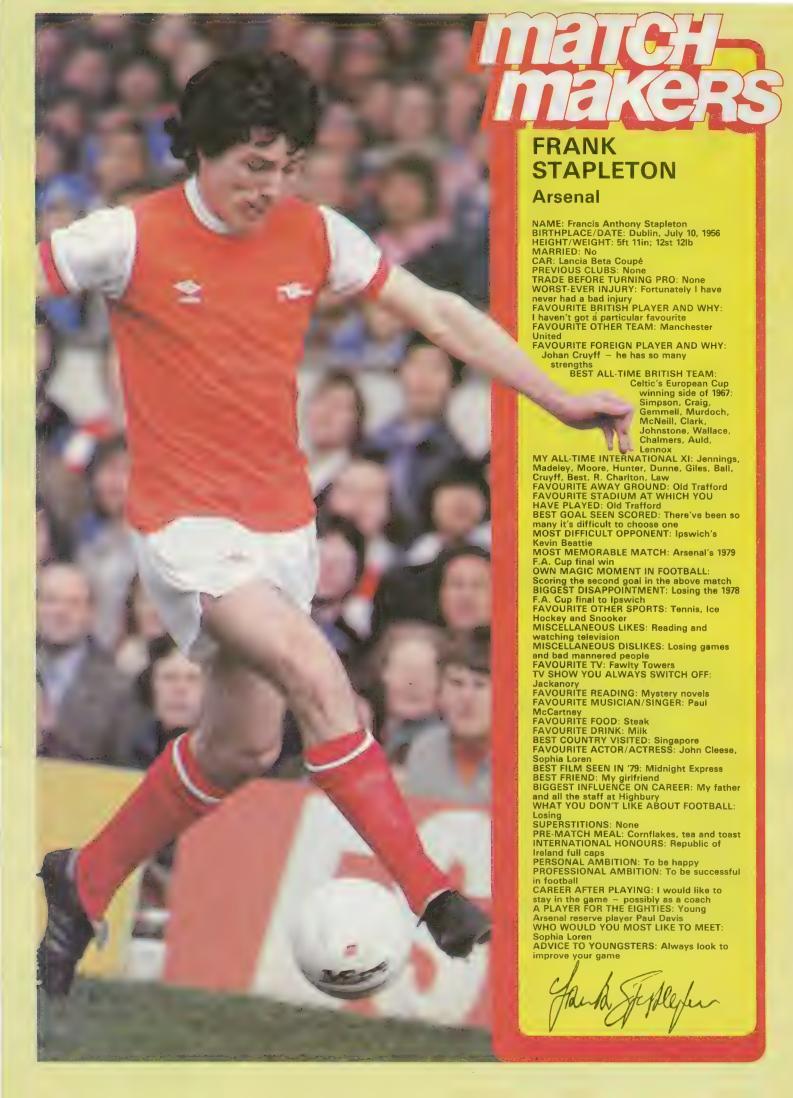
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TOP LEFT: High flying action from Manchester United skipper Martin Buchan (left) as The Reds repe) another Tottenham attack during their 1-1 draw at White Hart Lane.

TOP RIGHT: Shooting power at The Hawthorns as Cyril Regis bursts past Frank Lampard for a full-blooded shot during the tie between West Brom and West Ham. No goal this time – but Cyril popped up seconds from time to make it 1-1 and a replay.

ABOVE: Deep in the heart of Somerset, brave little Youvil gave Norwich City a hard time before going out 3-0. Here, Martin Peters (11) watches Graham Paddon's shot beat 'keeper Brian Parke for City's opening goal.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Soaring as high as his £1m tag. Trevor Francis of Notts. Forest heads clear during a rare Leeds United attack in their tie at Elland Road. Forest won 4-1.

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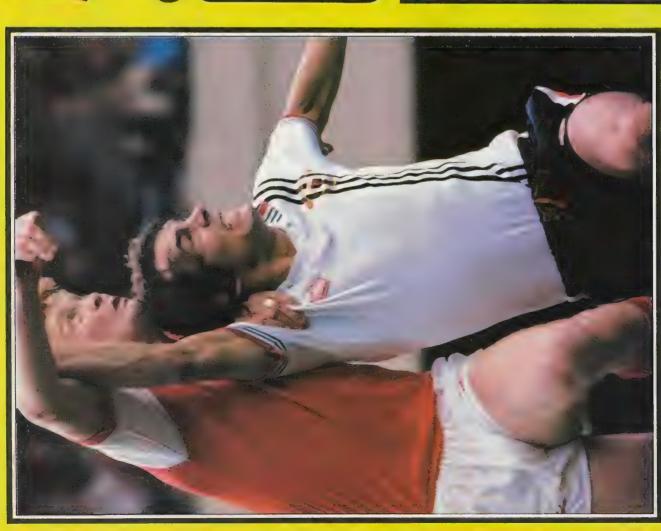


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West Bromwich Albion suffered a double defeat in the prestige Coruna tournament, and Cyrille Regis is out for two months with knee trouble... Brighton were hammered 4-0 by Arsenal in their first ever First Division match at the Goldstone Ground, while other newcomers Stoke City beat Coventry 3-2... Alan Hardaker Football League secretary for 22 years was named as the new Director General.

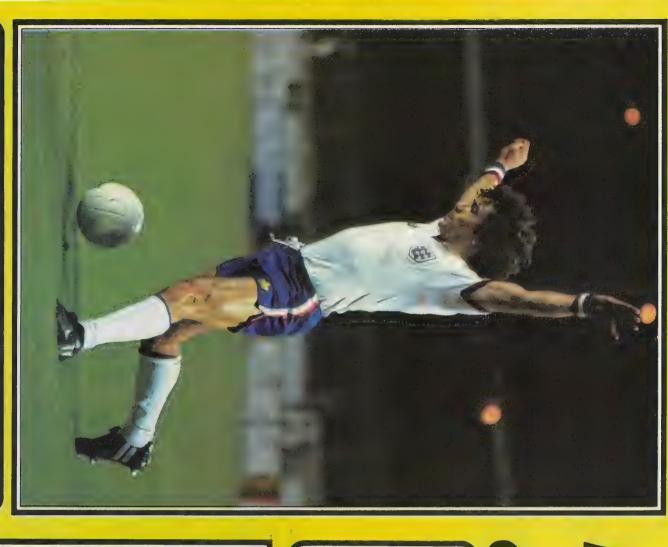
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surroundings, is the subject of Question One.

How's your soccer knowledge? Here's your chance to see how you square up to the man who this year won the title of BBC Radio Brain of Sport, Julian Pincher.

If you got all 20 correct, you too could be in the running for the Brain of Sport title! Between 10 and 20 correct - and you're a pretty knowledgeable fan, well above average. Below 10 . . . keep practising - and read your MATCH WEEKLY everv week!

1. In December Bobby Moore was appointed manager of which non-League club?

2. From which club did Sunderland sign Argentinian Claudio Marangoni?

Which man scored a goal after only 20 seconds in the 1979 Oxford v Cambridge match at Wembley, this being the fastest goal scored in

Name the grounds on which the following play their home games:

(a) Aberdeen (b) Bournemouth (c) Fulham
5. Which team did Chelsea defeat in the final of the 1971 European Cup Winners' Cup?

6. Who captained Manchester United when they won the 1963 F.A. Cup?

Which British footballer was voted European Footballer of the Year in 1966?

8. From which club did Coventry sign Ian Wallace?
9. Which player scored six hat-tricks for England?

10. Which player has made the most first-team appearances for one Football League club?

11. Name the only man to twice score a hat-trick in the European Cup

12. Who were the last team to defeat Nottingham Forest in the Football League Cup?

13. Name the oldest player to make his debut for England in a full international.

14. Who was the last player to score a hat-trick for Scotland in a full international?

15. Which full-back has scored the most goals in a career?
16. Which British team lost in the finals of the 1960 and '61 Inter-Cities

Fairs Cup?

17. Who scored West Germany's last-minute equaliser in the 1966 World Cup final?

18. Name the first London team to win the Football League Cup. 19. Name the first winners of the World Club Championship.

Who was the first man to be transferred for a fee of more than £50,000 between English clubs?

PRIVATE EYES





Eyes of glory ... here are two pairs of famous eyes with one thing in common, they both played a key role in England's greatest triumph and are both still performing at the top level in the First Division. Answer on page 39.

ANSWERS to all guizes and puzzles are on page 39

SCORE SIX

Using only letters that appear in SECOND DIVISION

Hilaire.

Millwall's ground.

- 3. Eleven men actually play in one
- 4. Striker's number.

5. Law.

The referee has to make 6. them.

TERRY NEILL

Pele's number.

2. It stops the ball.

- 3. George __ joined Cambridge this season.
- McNab
- 5. No score.
- 6. A pitch marking.

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1. It stops cricket but not soccarl

2. One of the Greenhoff brothers.

3. Clubs their players for misconduct.

4. Top of the net

5. Players who misbehave may suffer this.

6. Rod __ joined Rotherham this season.

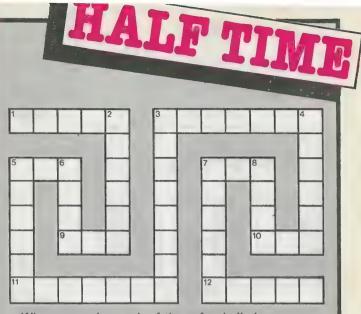
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Here's a famous face in unfamiliar light. In a muchtravelled career, controversy has shadowed him wherever he has been. He has tasted glory and despair but always comes up smiling and joking. Answer on page 39.



When you solve each of these football clues you will find that the last letter in each word is the first letter of another word.

ACROSS:

. You like to watch your team __ the League table
. Kenny Dalglish is this
. A drawn match. (Or a cup match)
. Some players can curve the ball in an __ when taking a free-kick.

It's nothing, in football

10. You possibly go to your away matches on this 11. The 'Robins' from Division Three 12. This County side is the oldest club in the League

DOWN:

This country has won the World Cup three times This Scottish team comes from Paisley Blackburn, Bristol or Doncaster

- Hull City's nickname
 Top players nowadays __ a large wage
 The 'A' of W.B.A.
 Another name for 'team'



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Certainly he's hot stuff for Q.P.R.

Team-mate of 1 across. Not comedian Les but Ally of the

6. In short, they're the Throstles. (1,1,1)

Rangers.
9. Last line of defence at the Villa.

Brighton's Dublin-born international. 14. F.A. Cup winners in 1945 – 48. 16. Fulham defender of obvious panel and send your entry on

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Crossword compiled by Fred Dellar

18. Home of the Tampa Bay Rowdies. (1,1,1) 20. Robson's Blues. 20. Turn the mail around for

Mr Brady.
23. Her sect can easily be turned into a Third Division side. (anagram)
26. Wolves' £85,000 signing from

Liverpool
28. Could be lan of Newcastle or

Gordon of Fulham.
31. Persuade Daryll Ace to turn out for Bolton. (anagram)

32. Players can make one - if they work together.

CLUES DOWN

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CLUES ACROSS

 Sunderland gave Sheffield Wednesday £85,000 for him.
 Only head men can produce Forest's Dave. (anagram)

Sound that usually greets a goal.
 Colour that's popular at Anfield.
 Turn Des Draw into a Wrexham

signing.

6. Aldershot defender, previously with Reading and West Ham.

10. Leicester's springtime Larry.

11. Kiev team who won the European Cup Winners' Cup in

Fashanu, Peters, Paddon and Co. 15. Scunthorpe attacker who ranks

between a marquis and a viscount. 17. Sounds as if he comes from Manchester — but he actually plays for York

18. Could be Sheffield, Newcastle -or even Hartlepool. 19. It's length must not be more

than 130 yards nor less than 100 yards. 22. Stoke City striker

Maine Road defender.

Mr Hankin or Mr Clemence. Team-mate of 16 across.

Change a miss into a Watford hit. (anagram)

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Gordon Crammond . . . bundle of energy

Pint-sized power

IF THEY are good enough they are big enough! That would seem to be the maxim behind Kilmarnock's £65,000 splash out to sign 30-year-old midfielder Gordon Crammond from Ayr United

Crammond is a five-foot four-inch bundle of energy and skill and Killie fought off opposition from a number of clubs including Partick Thistle and Motherwell to take him from their county rivals. A former Montrose and St. Johnstone star, Crammond will play a vital part in Kilmarnock's efforts to beat the drop.

Summit to stop star trek south

SCOTLAND's 38 senior clubs hold a crucial summit meeting in Glasgow on Thursday (January 17) to discuss the implications of the Freedom of Contract deal which comes into force next season.

Everyone accepts the deal will go through but the top clubs are desperately worried about its effect as they struggle to keep their top stars, most of whom have eyes on the big clubs down south.

The meeting is the first of a few before the deal is finalised and it seems a lot of tough talking will be done.

If the top teams like Celtic, Rangers, Aberdeen, Dundee United and St. Mirren are to hold on to their best players they will insist on three other major changes.

• Each Premier League club must be allowed

to retain the entire gate receipts from home

• The bulk of the cash flowing in from the pools copyright and sponsorship must be channelled towards the Premier Division.

 There must be a fixed scale of compensation for players moving from one club to another on the lines laid down by UEFA.

"We do not know how the other clubs will react," says Aberdeen boss Alex Ferguson. "But our view is that if the clubs go along with the three points, it is entirely possible to pay our players as well and in many cases better than the top clubs in England. For that reason the meeting will be crucial."

In Scotland, any move to change the existing set-up must come by a two-thirds majority vote so obviously there remains a lot of hard talking and lobbying to be done. It's not pitching it too high to say that the future of big-time football in Scotland depends on it.

SCOTLAND face a rough ride before they reach the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain - but Billy Bremner is certain they will make it.

The former Leeds United star, who played such a vital part in the side which reached the finals in West Germany in 1974, is now serving his managerial apprenticeship with Doncaster Rovers but he still retains a

Frankie Gray . . . 'real class'



been hitting the target since he joined Raith Rovers on a £12,000 transfer from Dundee United. Following his hat-trick, which brought Airdrie crashing down in the last game of the year, he scored the only goal in the New Year derby game against Dunfermline.

Sturrock stays

DUNDEE United star Paul Sturrock made it a happy start to the New Year for manager Jim McLean by deciding to withdraw his transfer request and stay at Tannadice.

The classy Sturrock has been attracting the attention of a number of top clubs,including Spurs and Arsenal.



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"It will be tough but Scots will make it" - Bremner

keen interest in the national

"There is no doubt that recent results have been bad," says Billy. "And it could get worse before it gets better.

"The team is going through a transitional stage but I'm convinced with Jock Stein in charge they are on the right lines. I've no doubt the team will again be in the World Cup finals - provided they get it right off the pitch as well as on

it.
"The key player will unquestionably be Kenny Dalglish. I know his form for Scotland has been indifferent but any team with a player of his class must build everything around him. And I'm sure Jock Stein will do exactly that.

'And as far as the other experienced players are concerned, I'm sure Manchester United pair Joe Jordan and Gordon McQueen still have a

"Joe is starting to score goals
- something he didn't do a lot
at Leeds and he is always a striker who is prepared to make his presence felt.

Another player who knows what it's all about is my old team-mate Frankie Gray who is now with Nottingham Forest.

'He has real class and I'm sure will be a key player as Scotland build their attacks from the back.

"The finals, of course, are more than two years away and

Below: Paul Sturrock . .



things could alter quite a bit. Youngsters like Alan Hansen, Graeme Souness and Ian Wallace will obviously be very much involved and between now and then Jock Stein will be trying them out in the national side and allowing them to gain experience at this level.

The same goes for the home-based youngsters such as David Narey and Bobby Russell of Rangers.

"For that reason, I think the current inconsistency in results will continue for some time. Scottish fans will need a lot of patience.

Bremner is equally adamant that Scotland must get it right OFF the pitch. By that he means a proper run down on the opposition (something lamentably lacking in Argentina), accommodation

lan Wallace . . . in Stein's plans



Alex visit

ST. JOHNSTONE manager Alex Stuart has been invited back to San Diego to run a coaching clinic as he did last summer.

Says the Saints' boss: "I would like to take up the

"I enjoyed my last visit to the United States and at the moment I am awaiting word on the exact dates.



Billy Bremner toasting Scotland's revival.

(often a sore point among players), and bonuses (a bone of contention in West Germany

in 1974).
"This can often be as important as what happens on the pitch," adds Billy. Knowing Jock Stein he will leave nothing to chance and I just hope he gets the backing from the Scottish F.A. who have sometimes been lacking in that respect in the past.
"Given all that, I have no

doubt that Scotland will come through OK. Jock Stein was the popular choice for the job of manager and I have no reason to think that he will not succeed. I certainly hope so."

Bremner, capped 53 times for Scotland, is a man who certainly knows what it's all about. For Scotland's sake everyone hopes his observations are correct.



Alex Stuart . . . States trip

TARTAN TRIMMINGS

THE SCOTTISH club with the biggest number of players on the books at the end of 1979 was Clydebank. Of the 42 players signed, most of them are under 18. The 'Bankies' with the future in mind, are on the look-out for more.

ALBION Rovers chairman Tom Fagan wants some form of arbitration in deciding whether games should be played or cancelled. After seeing his side lose 4-0 to Falkirk on a pitch which he described as a "scandal", Mr Fagan said there should be more arbitration with managers and even club officials brought in to decide whether a game should be played.

IT COST Hibs £3000 for police charges at the recent game in Edinburgh against Rangers. Plus VAT it made a big hole in the gate receipts and Hibs' chairman Tom Hart could in the 1980's be making representations to the Government on these costs which are hitting football.

He says: "After all, I can never understand why football is singled out when the state pays for the policing of the various demonstrations held." Tom has a point there.

FORMER Hibs' star Alex Edwards may soon be making a further move north. On leaving Hibs he went north to Arbroath. Now Lossiemouth, the Highland League club, are showing an interest in the midfield man.

MOTHERWELL's Christmas present to their supporters was a double buy from Arbroath - defender Joe Carson and striker Albert Kidd, costing the Fir Park club £100,000.

FORMER Ayr United midfield player Joe Fillipi, who joined Celtic two seasons ago, has left Parkhead for Clyde who are struggling to get clear of the foot of the Scottish First Division.

PETER Davidson, the winger Berwick Rangers sold to Queen's Park Rangers, is back at Shielfield six months after his move south. Davidson was sold for £30,000, a record for Berwick, and returned for the same fee, another record. Manager Dave Smith noticed that Davidson had had only a few games for Q.P.R. and decided to buy him back. He said: "We missed Peter more than we realised.'

HAMILTON Academicals' goalkeeper Rikki Fleming had to be content to watch his side maintain their promotion challenge over the Festive Period from the sidelines after breaking three ribs during training

NEXT season's Drybrough Cup will feature the four top Scottish Premier League sides and the top two sides in the First and Second Divisions. The brewery will put up prize money totalling £43,000, with the winners receiving £10,000 and the runners-up £8000.



IRO CHIEFS GET

HARD-hitting sanctions will increasingly be brought into effect against clubs who fail to control violence on the terraces.

The warning comes from the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) in a bid to combat the hooligan problem.

Instead of imposing heavy

fines, much tougher action will have to be taken, says an article in UEFA's official magazine.

That action could mean: Deducting points in competitions,

Declaring matches forfeit,

Excluding teams from competitions.

Closing stadiums, Ordering matches to be played behing closed doors or in neutral countries.

At the same time, says the report, public authorities and Courts of Justice would have to subject the hooligans to much more severe punishment than has been the case so far.

UEFA is determined not to let the popular European

competitions become victims of their own success," says the report.

"Never in the 25-year history of our organisation have there been so many incidents as there were at the start of this season and while previously such incidents only happened once in a while, they are now frequent and commonplace."

The report blames the "irrational behaviour of irresponsible fans" and the unsporting conduct of some of the teams'

Golden gates

INTEREST in soccer in America continues on the up and up. Fourteen of the 24 North American League clubs showed increases in attendances at home games last

Of the 14, Los Angeles, San Diego, Tampa Bay, Toronto, Tulsa and Vancouver all showed increases of more than 5,000 a game compared with the season before. At Tampa the average home attendance was up an amazing 10,423 per game.

Eight clubs, however, suffered drops in attendances - including New York Cosmos who were an average of 1,167 worse off per game.

However, the Cosmos still rule OK as far as pulling in the crowds is concerned.

Their average attendance figures for the season were far and away the best in the North American Soccer League last year. Cosmos averaged 46,689. Next best were Tampa Bay Rowdies with 28,546 and then came Minnesota Kicks (24,579) and Vancouver Whitecaps

Ta-ra Sara!

ROBERT Sara, the 34-year-old captain of the Austrian national team, is retiring from international soccer.

Sara, who played 54 times for his country, captained Austria from 1975 and as an attacking right-back was one of the key players in Austria's World Cup success in 1978. Austria just missed qualification in Scotland's group for the European Championships. Belgium beat the Scots to qualify last month.

* * * Just too much!

TWO over-excited fans died of heart attacks during celebrations over their team's success. It happened in a stadium at the tropical city of Cali, 200 miles south-east of Bogota. The fans were celebrating the fact that the Red Devils of America had won the overall Colombian championship for the first time in 61 years.

All-star boost

A STAR-studded World XI which included *MATCH WEEKLY's* own Kevin Keegan, Johan Cruyff and Franz Beckenbauer, went down 3 – 2 to West German First Division side Borussia Dortmund in a charity match.

The fixture drew a crowd of 35,000 and raised an incredible half-a-million marks (290,000 dollars) for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. Officials said it was the biggest sports charity purse to

The World XI took a 2-0 lead in the match through Yugoslav Susic and his compatriot Petrovic, but Dortmund hit back with three goals in the last 12 minutes



Franz Beckenbauer in action for his club New York Cosmos. He teamed up with European Footballer of the Year Kevin Keegan and a host of other top stars for a showpiece charity match. However, a defensive error from the great man cost his team a goal (see story).

Set for title

INTERNATIONAL of Porto Alegre scored a 2-0 away victory over Vasco de Gama in the first leg of the final of the Brazilian Soccer Championship and now look set to go on and win the title.



Results -

Rayo Vallecano 2, Espanol 2; Barcelona 2, Valencia 1; Almeria 4, Athletic Bilbao 2; Zaragoza 4, Las Palmas 0; Betis 0, Atletico Madrid 0; Salamanca 3, Malaga 0; Real Sociedad 2, Burgos 2; Hercules 1, Gijon 1. Top standings after 14 matches: Real Sociedad 22; Real Madrid 21 (13 matches); Gijon 19; Valencie, Salamanca 15; Las Palmas, Zaragoza, Barcelona 14.

Greece

AEK 1, Aris 1; Doxa 1, Olympiakos 0; Ethnikos 6, Panathinaikos 0; Korinthos 1, Kastoria 0; Larisa 0, Yannina 0; Panahaiki 1, Paok 1; Panionios 2, Ofi 2; Rodos 1, Apollon 0. Top standings after 13 matches: Olympiakos 21; Aris, Paok 19; Panathinaikos 16; Ethnikos, AEK, Larisa 15.

East Germany

Cup Quarter-Finals: Vorwaerts Frankfurt-Oder 0, Dynamo Dresden 1; Rot Weiss Erfurt 2, Stahl Riesa 0; Hansa Rostock 1, Jena 2; Lok Leipzig 2, Dynamo Berlin 1. Semi-Finals to be played on February 27.

Italy

First Division:
Avellino 2, Perugia 2; Bologna 0, Napoli 0;
Cagliari 1, Roma 3; Catanzaro 1, Udinese 1;
Inter Milan 0, Fiorentina 0; Juventus 2, Ascoli
3; Lazio 2, Torino 1; Pescara 2, AC Milan 1.
Top standings after 14 matches: Inter Milan 20;
AC Milan 17; Torino, Lazio, Perugia, Cagliari,
Roma 15; Bologna, Napoli, Juventus, Ascoli,
Avellino 14.

Aveilino 14.

Second Division:
Bari 3, Brescia 0; Como 2, Matera 1; Genoa 2, Taranto 1; Vicenza 0, Cesena 2; Lecce 0, Sampdoria 1; Monza 0, Verona 1; Pisa 1, Atalanta 0; Sambenedettese 1, Parma 0; Spal 0, Pistoiese 2; Ternana 2, Palermo 1.

Top standings after 15 matches: Como 23, Vicenza, Bari 18; Pistoiese, Atalanta, Genoa 17; Palermo, Verona, Pisa, Spal 16.

Portugal

Belenenses 2, Leiria 1; Sporting 2, Guimaraes 0; Varzim 1, Beira Mar 0; Boavista 0, Porto 1; Espinho 1, Rio Ave 0; Braga 3, Setubal 1; Portimonense 0, Benfica 2.
Top standings after 14 matches: Sporting, Porto 23; Benfica 22; Belenenses 19; Boavista 17; Guimaraes 16; Espinho 14; Braga 13; Varzim 12.

Pompey to go all the way?

MANY clubs up and down the country kicked off the 1980 s hoping — and in some cases believing — they are going to be the team of the next decade.

I am not talking about the Liverpool's, Manchester United's or, dare I say, the Nottingham Forest's of this world.

No, I am thinking more of the sides currently occupying places in the Second, Third or even Fourth Divisions. There are plenty of them with ambition.

And if I'm asked to predict which clubs might break through in the way that Crystal Palace and Brighton have done in recent seasons, you get the biggest pointer from one single factor.

I look at Sheffield and see that when Wednesday and United met for a Third Division game at Christmas there were 49,000 squeezed into Hillsborough. The locals must have thought F.A. Cup Semi-Final day had come early.

Then I look at Portsmouth in

Then I look at Portsmouth in the Fourth Division and see that they have been getting 20,000 gates to watch their promotion push. That's almost as many as the European Champions are attracting! I know that Portsmouth and Huddersfield, two of the biggest names from



years gone by, are promotion rivals. But if I were asked which one was likely to go all the way through the divisions during the 1980 s I would have to go for Portsmouth

Not since they finished bottom of the table in 1958 – the year Wolves won the title for the second successive year

 have Portsmouth been in the First Division, but they are the club attracting big gates now and at the end of the day, that's what you need if you are going to go from strength to strength.

There can be no greater spur for any club than to know that if they come up with the goods then they will get the rewards through the turnstiles.

That must be the way the likes of Sheffield Wednesday



Above: Portsmouth have regularly been getting crowds of over 20,000 at Fratton Park. Here Colin Garwood shows the Pompey fans his scoring touch.

Left: Over 49,000 squeezed into Hillsborough for the recent Third Division clash between Wednesday and United. Here Mark Smith puts Wednesday 4–0 up from the penalty spot.

and Portsmouth look upon the future . . . but they have had to give an indication that they are on the way up before supporters would respond.

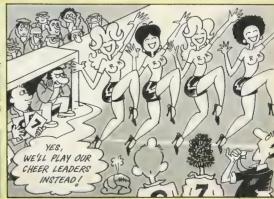
It makes me angry when I hear people say come and support us then we'll buy players and get success.

You don't do it that way and what's more to the point, you can't do it that way.











Match Facts . . . The First Division season so far

MATCH WEEKLY's exclusive MATCH FACTS results service has proved fascinating reading since day one of the 1979-80 season - you have written in your hundreds to tell us so.

We're delighted to hear it - and just to bring you up to date on players' progress at the half-way mark of the season, we have compiled - with the assistance of Paul McSweeney, an avid statistician and Crystal Palace fan - a half-term report on the First Division's top goalkeepers, defenders, midfield players and strikers.

To keep the fans of Division Two, Three and Four clubs happy too, there's a list of the leading players from those Leagues, too. Pressure of space prevents us from including them this week but it is planned to include them next week, with the Scottish Premier Division on January 31.

Mike Doyle ... Stoke's gritty defender

NEXT WEEK . . . Divisions 2, 3 and 4.

MIKE Doyle may be in the twilight of his career but he can still turn in quality performances week after week as our MATCH FACTS reveal. Only Liverpool's brilliant Scottish centre-half Alan Hansen is able to live with Stoke's former Manchester City

down of top Division One defenders. Doyle's gritty pedigree is a key factor in Stoke's fight for survival and it's mirrored in his consistency. There was talk of Doyle being allowed to leave

skipper as they head our run

the Potteries, but on this form

they can't do without him!

Mick Doyle (Stoke)
Alan Hansen (Liverpool)
Billy Ashcroft (M'brough)
Alan Kennedy (Liverpool)
Geoff Merrick (Bristol City)
John Bailey (Everton)
Jim Cannon (Crystal Palace)
Derek Statham (W.B.A.)
Phil Neal (Liverpool)
Gary Gillespie (Coventry)
Gordon McQueen (Man. Utd.)
Tommy Caton (Man. City)
Phil Thompson (Liverpool)
George Berry (Wolves)
Steve Foster (Brighton)
Ray Ranson (Man. City)
David O'Leary (Arsenal)
Keith Osgood (Derby)
Alan Evans (Aston Villa)
David Peach (Southampton) 7.60 7.60 7.25 7.22 7.22 7.11 7.08 7.06 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.00 6.94 6.89 6.88 6.83 6.81

MIDFIELD

strikers.

Goals are, of course, a factor in

their rating with our man at the

skill, stamina, temperament and accuracy during 90 minutes that our judges go for and Johnson

and Dalglish have those qualities

Our top 20 makes fascinating

7.82 7.72 7.50 7.47 7.36 7.36 7.25 7.22 7.20 7.06 7.06 7.00

7.00 6.93 6.92

6.88

6.83

6.83 6.82

reading, we think you'll agree

just look at some of those big

names, still to make an

impression on the leaders!

in ample measures.

David Johnson (Liverpool) Kenny Dalglish (Liverpool) Garth Crooks (Stoke)

Garth Crooks (Stoke)
Brian Little (Aston Villa)
Dave Bennett (Man. City)
Gary Shaw (Aston Villa)
Kevin Mabbutt (Bristol City)
Lou Macari (Man. Utd.)

Lou Macari (Man. Utd.)
Andy King (Everton)
David Armstrong (M'brough)
Chris Jones (Spurs)
Joe Jordan (Man. Utd.)
Mike Ferguson (Coventry)
Ian Wallace (Coventry)
Eric Gates (Ipswich)
Alan Taylor (Norwich)
Ardy Gray (Wolves)

Andy Gray (Wolves)
Phil Boyer (Southampton)
Frank Stapleton (Arsenal)
Trevor Francis (Nottm. Forest)

match, but it is for displaying

THE SILKY skills of Crystal Palace youngster Vince Hilaire have shown him to be international class this season and he thoroughly deserved his challenging third place at the half-way mark of our MATCH FACTS dossier.

No player in the First Division can match his EIGHT star ratings, although Liverpool's Ray Kennedy and Liam Brady of Arsenal have five to their name and head the table.

Ray Kennedy (Liverpool) Liam Brady (Arsenal) Vince Hilaire (C. Palace) 7.94 7.79 7.59 7.50 7.47 7.35 7.28 7.24 7.17 7.15 7.15 7.07 7.06 7.06 7.06 7.00 Steve Williams (Southampton) Steve Williams (Southampton Ricardo Villa (Spurs)
Terry McDermott (Liverpool)
Steve Hunt (Coventry)
Glenn Hoddie (Spurs)
Mick Mills (Ipswich)
Tommy Hutchison (Coventry)
Denis Mortimer (Aston Villa)
Gerry Francis (C. Palace)
Mark Proctor (M'brough)
Crais Lebesten (M'brough) Mark Proctor (M'brough)
Craig Johnston (M'brough)
David Hodgson (M'brough)
Frans Thijssen (Ipswich)
Ray Wilkins (Man. Utd.)
Graham Rix (Arsenal)
Osvaldo Ardiles (Spurs)
Alan Ball (Southampton) Jimmy Case (Liverpool) Kenny Hibbitt (Wolves) Willie Carr (Wolves)

GOALKEEPERS

MANCHESTER City seem unable to shake off the threat of relegation after an appalling start to the season and now they've been toppled out of the F.A. Cup by Fourth Division Halifax.

But no blame can be layed at the feet of their giant goalkeeper Joe Corrigan -through it all he has been impeccable.

In an unbroken spell of games from the start of the season big Joe has emerged as the top 'keeper in the First Division for consistency.

Joe Corrigan (Man. City) Jimmy Rimmer (Aston Villa) Ray Clemence (Liverpool) 7.33 7.24 7.24 7.20 7.11 7.06 7.00 7.00 7.00 6.94 6.89 John Lukic (Leeds) John Lukic (Leeds)
Paul Bradshaw (Wolves)
Gary Bailey (Man. Utd.)
Les Sealey (Coventry)
Roger Jones (Stoke)
John Burridge (C. Palace)
John Shaw (Bristol City)
Kevin Keelan (Norwich)
Paul Cooper (Ipswich)
Terry Gennoe (Southampton)
Tony Godden (W. B. A.)
Peter Shilton (Nottm. Forest)
Pat Jennings (Arsenal)
George Wood (Everton)
Barry Daines (Spurs)
John Middleton (Derby)
Graham Moseley (Brighton)
Jim McDonagh (Bolton)
Jim Platt (M'brough) Paul Bradshaw (Wolves) 6.76 6.73 6.72 6.71 6.65 6.50 6.45 6.45 6.44 Players Ratings Out of this world

 Oustanding Excellent Good

Adequate Off form

— Poor

Match ratings

**** A classic *** Good value ** Satisfactory ** Dull * Waste of money

Saturday, Jan. 5 **Division Three**

BLACKPOOL (1) 1 (McEwan, pen 16) OXFORD (1) 2 (Taylor 2, 53) Blackpool: Hesford 7. *GARDNER Blackpool: Hestord 7, A GARDNER 9, Pashley 7, McEwan 7, Ashurst 7, Thompson 7, Morris 7, Doyle 8, Bamber 7, Kellow 7, Harrison 7. Oxford: Brown 8, Doyle 7, McIntosh 7, Briggs 7, Cooke 7, Jeffrey 7, *TAYLOR 9, Duncan 8, Foley 8, Berry 8, Watson 7. Referee: J. Lovatt (Crewe) Match Rating: ★★★

BRENTFORD (0) 0 GILLINGHAM (1) 2 (Price 9, Westwood 88) Att: 7,850 Brentford: Bond 7, Salman 5, Tucker 6, ★KRUSE 8, McNichol 7, Fraser 6, Shrubb 6, Graham 6, Fear 5, Booker 6, Phillips 6.

6, Phillips 6.
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 7,
Barker 6, *BRUCE 8, Weatherly 7,
Crabbe 6, Nicholl 7, Hughes 6, Jolley
5, Price 7, Westwood 6.
Referee: T. Bune (Cranleigh, Surrey)

Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Jolley (Gillingham)

CHESTERFIELD (2) 2 (Moss 4, SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 1 (Busby

Att: 13,887 Chesterfield: Kendall 6, Tartt 7, O'Neill 7, Ridley 8, Green 8, Kowalski 7, Birch 8, Moss 7, Walker 8, SALMONS 9, Crawford 7. Sheff Utd: Richardson 6, Speight 6, Tibbott 6, Kenworthy 7, McPhail 5, Matthews 5, De Goey 6 (sub. Brown), *BOURNE 8, Busby 6, Garner 5, Sabella 5. Referee: G. Nolan (Stockport)

Match Rating: ★★★★ PLYMOUTH (2) 5 (Cook 17, 63, Sims 35, 78, Harrison 47)

HULL (0) 1 (Norrie 60) Att: 6,341 Att: 6,341
Plymouth: Crudgington 6, James 7, Harrison 6, Randell 7, ★FOSTER 8, Phillipson-Masters 7, Hodges 6, Cooper 6, Sims 7, Bason 7, Cook 7. Hull: Blackburn 5, ★NISBET 8, De Vries 7, Croft 6, Dobson 5, Haigh 5, Roberts 5, Moss 6, Edwards 5, Norrie 6, Skipper 5.
Referee: D. Letts (Basingstoke)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

DARLINGTON v LINCOLN - Match Postponed

HARTLEPOOL (2) 2 (Houchen 34, 42) TRANMERE (0) 1 (Peplow 51)

Att: 2,492 Hartlepool: Burleigh 6, Sweeney 7, Gorry 7, Lawrence 7, Brookes 7, Ayre 7, Linacre 6, Loadwick 6, Newton 7, ★HOUCHEN 8, Hampton 7 Tranmere: Johnson 6, Mathias 5, Flood 5, Bramhall 7, Edwards 6, Evans 7, O'Neil 7, Craven 5, Kelly 6, Beamish 6 (sub. Mungall), ★PEPLOW

Referee: P. J. Richardson (Lincoln) Match Rating: ★★★
Sendings Off: Gorry (Hartlepool), Mathias (Tranmere)

HEREFORD (0) 2 (Jones 57, 81) DONCASTER (1) 2 (Riley 22, 54) Att: 2,793
Hereford: Hughes 7, Price 7, Burrows

7, Marshall 6, Layton 7, Feeley 6, Cunningham 6, Spiring 6, McGrellis 6 (sub. Stephens 7), *JONES 8, White

7. Doncaster: Peacock 6, Russell 7, Snodin 7, Lister 6, ★LALLY 8, Bradley 7, Pugh 6, Nimmo 6, Riley 7, Little 7, Flanagan 7. Referee: A. Hamil (Wolverhampton) Match Rating: ★★

NORTHAMPTON (2) 2 (Ward 20, Farmer 37) YORK (0) 0 Att: 2,095
Northampton: Poole 7, Farrington 7,
Sandercock 7, Byatt 6, Waldock 7,
*WARD 9, Denyer 7, Sandy 6,
McCaffrey 7, Farmer 7, Bowen 8.
York: Brown 5, Kay 6, Harrison 6,
Pugh 6, *JAMES 9, Clements 6,
McGlue 5 (sub. Ferebby 6), Lorimer 8,
Eccles 6, McDonald 5, Loggie 6.
Referee: W. Bombroff (Bristol)
Match Retirat: *** Match Rating: ★★★

PETERBOROUGH (1) 3 (Syrett 7, Carmichael 83) SCUNTHORPE (0) 1 (Davy 49) Att: 3.014 Att: 3,014
Peterborough: Waugh 6, Carmichael
7, Phillips 6, Guy 6, Slough 7, Foster
6, Quow 7 (sub. Lambert 5), Kellock
6, Cliss 7, *SYRETT 8, Robson 6.
Scunthorpe: Gordon 6, *DAVY 8,
Peacock 5, Deere 5, Dall 7, Oates 6,
Keeley 7, Cammack 7, Pilling 5,
Partridge 6, Stewart 6.
Referee: R. Robinson (Suffolk)
Match Ratino: *** Match Rating: ★★★

PORT VALE (1) 1 (Townsend, og 9) BOURNEMOUTH (0) 1 (Evanson 70) Att: 2,875
Port Vale: Dance 7, Beech 7, Griffiths Port Vale: Dance 7, Beech 7, Griffith 6, Bentley 6, Delgado 6, Sproson 7, Jones 7, *FARRELL 8, Wright 7, Bromage 6, Chamberlain 5. Bournemouth: Allen 7, Cunningham 6, Ferns 6, Impey 6, Townsend 5, Chambers 6, *ELLIOTT 8, MacDougall 7, Butler 6, Evanson 7, Miller 6 Referee: R. W. Toseland (Mkt. Harborough)
Match Rating: ★★★

WALSALL (0) 1 (Buckley 77) HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 (Kindon 90) Att: 7,039 **Walsall**: Green 8, Williams 8, Mower 7, Sbragia 7, Serella 8, Paul 7, Penn 7, ★WADDINGTON 9, McDonough 7, #WADDINGTON 9, McDonoug 7, Buckley 8, Caswell 8. Huddersfield: Rankin 7, Brown 8, Robinson 7, Stanton 7, Sutton 7, Hanvey 8, Laverick 8, *HART 9, Kindon 7, Robins 8, Couling 7 (sub. Fletcher). Referee: D. Owen (Wirral) Match Rating: ★★★★

SCOTTISH **Premier Division**

CELTIC (1) 1 (MacLeod, pen 38) DUNDEE UNITED (0) 0 Att: 25,000 Celtic: Latchford 6, Sneddon 6, *McGRAIN 8, Aitken 7, McDonald 6, McAdam 7, Provan 7, Sullivan 6, Lennox 6, MacLeod 7, Doyle 6 (sub. Edvaldsson 6). Dundee Utd: McAlpine 6, Stark 6, Kopel 6, Fleming 6, ★HEGARTY 8, Narey 7, Bannon 5, Sturrock 5, Pettigrew 6, Holt 5, Kirkwood 5 (sub. Dodds 5). Referee: K. Stewart (Glasgow)

DUNDEE (0) 1 (Pirie 51)
PARTICK THISTLE (0) 1 (McAdam 85) Att: 6.780 Dundee: ★DONALDSON 8, Barr 6, Shirra 7, MacLaren 7, Glennie 5, Williamson 7, Mackie 7, Redford 6, Pirie 6, Sinclair 7, Murphy 6.

Partick: ★ROUGH 8, McKinnon 6,
Whittaker 6, Campbell 6, McAdam 7,

Match Rating: ★★★

Anderson 6 (sub. Wilson), Doyle 7, Melrose 7, O'Hara 7, Gibson 7 (sub. Jardine 6), Park 6. Referee: T. Muirhead (Stenhousemuir) Match Rating: ★★★★

KILMARNOCK (2) 3 (Street 20, 25, HIBERNIAN (0) 1 (Campbell 79) Att: 6,000 Att: 6,000
Kilmarnock: McCulloch 7, Welsh 6,
McLean 7, Clark 7, Clarke 6,
McDicken 7, Houston 6, Gibson 7,
Bourke 6, Cramond 6, ★STREET 8.
Hibs: McArthur 6, ★BRAZIL 7,
Duncan 6 (sub. Lambie 5), Rae 5,
Paterson 5, McNamara 5, Callachan
5, McLeod 6, Higgins 5, Campbell 5,
Beet 6 Referee: J. A. R. Wales (Cumbernauld) Match Rating: ★★★★

MORTON (0) 1 (McLaren 79) ABERDEEN (0) 0 Att: 6,500
Morton: Baines 7, Hayes 6, Holmes 7, ★ANDERSON 9, McLaughlin 7, Orr 6, McLaren 7, Craig 5 (sub. Tolmie 6), Hutchison 6, Scott 6 Aberdeen: Clark 6, Kennedy 7, Aberdeen: Clark o, Kennedy 7,
Considine 6, McLeish 6, Garner 7,
*ROUGVIE 9, Strachan 7, Archibald
6, Hamilton 5 (sub. McGhee 5), Jarvie
6, McMaster 6.
Referee: B. McGinlay (Balfron) Match Rating: ★★★

RANGERS (0) 1 (Jardine, pen 72) ST MIRREN (1) 2 (McDougall 43, Somner 88) Att: 12,000 Rangers: McLoy 7, Jardine 7,
Donaldson 6, Forsyth, T 6, Jackson 7,
Stevens 6 (sub. Cooper 6), McLean 7,
**RUSSELL 8, Smith 6 (sub. *HUSSELL 8, Smith 6 (Sub. Parlane), MacDonald, A 6, MacDonald, J 6.

St. Mirren: *THOMPSON 9, Young 7, Burkett 8, Richardson 7, Fulton 8, Copland 7, Bone 7, Stark 7 (sub. Docherty), Somner 6, MacDougall 7, Wair 8 Referee: A. Waddle (Pencuik) Match Rating: ★★★

Cup — Second Round

BUCKIE THISTLE (0) 0 BRORA RANGERS (0) 0

COWDENBEATH (3) 3 (Markey 3, Russell 12, Liddle 24) FORFAR (1) 2 (Clark 30, 50)

STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0 PETERHEAD (0) 0 Att: 407

STRANRAER (0) 1 (Inglis 47) MEADOWBANK (1) 1 (Leetion 28)

THREAVE ROVERS (0) 2 (Davis, D 68, Davis, N 88) KEITH (0) 3 (Bremner 46, O'Hara 61, Fettes, pen 85) Att: 672

Division One

AIRDRIE (3) 5 (Clark 31, 34, 68, McKeown 38, McVeigh 50)
ARBROATH (0) 2 (Barber 51, Miles

AYR (2) 4 (Christie 48, 80, Morris 16, Frye 25) HAMILTON (0) 1 (Graham 73) Att: 3,122

DUMBARTON (0) 0 STIRLING (0) 1 (Beaton 77)

DUNFERMLINE (1) 3 (O'Brien 28, 67, McNaughton 73) CLYDE (1) 1 (Hood 18) Att: 2,750

HEARTS (0) 3 (O'Connor 58, 62, 68) CLYDEBANK (0) 3 (Millar 72, Ronald 74, McCormack 87) Att: 5,200

MOTHERWELL (0) 1 (Kidd 76) BERWICK (0) 1 (Smith, D, pen 55)

Division Two

EAST STIRLING (1) 1 (Rennie 12) ALBION (0) 1 (Campbell 88)

Monday, Jan. 7

Scottish FA Cup Second Round Replay

BRECHIN (0) 1 (Campbell 48) MONTROSE (0) 1 (Beetie 75) Att: 600

Tuesday, Jan. 8

FA Cup **Third Round**

BLACKBURN (1) 1 (Crawford 20) FULHAM (1) 1 (Money 36) Att: 9,826 Att: 9,826
Blackburn: Arnold 7, Branagan 7,
Rathbone 6, Kendall 7, Keeley 7,
Fazackerley 7, Brotherston 6,
Crawford 7, Garner 6, *McKENZIE
8, Metcalfe 6.
Fulham: Peyton 7, Peters 6, Mason 6,
Money 7, *BANTON 8, Gale 7,
Greenaway 7, Beck 6, Davies 6,
Maybank 6, Wilson 7.
Referee: M. G. Peck (Doncaster)
Match Rating: *** Match Rating: ★★★

ROCHDALE (1) 1 (O'Laughlin 28)
BURY (1) 1 (Whitehead 44)
Att: 10,700
Rochdale: *WATSON 8, Bannon 6,
Snookes 6, Waldron 7, Taylor 7,
O'Laughlin 6, Hart 7, Wann 7, Seal 7,
Scaife 6, Hilditch 6 (sub. Jones).
Bury: Forrest 7, *CONSTANTINE 8,
Kennedy 7, McIlwraith 7, Whitehead
7, Waddington 6, Mullen 7, Wilson 6,
Halford 6, Hilton 6, Madden 7.
Referee: P. Willis (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ***

Third Round Replay

ARSENAL (2) 2 (Sunderland 3, 35) CARDIFF (1) 1 (Buchanan 23) Att: 36,582 Att: 36,582

Arsenal: Jennings 7, Rice 7, Nelson 7, Talbot 7, Walford 7, Young 6, Gatting 6, Sunderland 8, Stapleton 6, Hollins 7, ★RIX 9.

Cardiff: Healey 7, Dwyer 6, Sullivan 6, Campbell 7, Pontin 6, Thomas 7, Lewis 7, ★BISHOP 8, Moore 6 (sub. Stevens 6), Ronson 6, Buchanan 7.

Referee: J. B. Worrall (Cheshire)

Match Rating: ★★

CRYSTAL PALACE (1) 3 (Hinshelwood 20, Fenwick 57, Hilaire SWANSEA (2) 3 (Waddle 4, Giles 6, Toshack 103) After Extra Time - Score at 90 mins Att: 27,006 Att: 27,006

Crystal Palace: Burridge 6,
Hinshelwood 7, Fenwick 7,

*KEMBER 8, Cannon 6, Gilbert 6,
Smillie 7, Murphy 5 (sub. Goodchild
5), Swindlehurst 6, Walsh 7, Hilaire Swansea: Letheren 7, Marustik 6 (sub. Attley 6), Rushbury 7, Phillips 7, Stevenson 6, Giles 8, *CRAIG 9, James 7, Waddle 7, Toshack 7,

Mahoney 7. Referee: P. Reeves (Leicester) Match Rating: ★★★★

HARLOW (1) 1 (MacKenzie 42) LEICESTER (0) 0 Att: 9,723 Att: 9,723
Harlow: Kitson 8, Wickendon 7, Flack
7, ★GOUGH 9, Clarke 7, Adnams 7,
Mann 7, Austin 8, Prosser 7, Twigg 8,
MacKenzie 8.
Leicester: Wallington 6, Williams 6,
Rofe 6, Goodwin 7, ★MAY 8, O'Neill
6, Byrne 6, Henderson 5, Young 6,
Kelly 5, Smith 6,
Kelly 5, Smith 6, Kelly 5, Smith 6. Referee: A. Robinson (Waterlooville) Match Rating: ★★★★

WEST HAM (0) 2 (Pike 52, Brooking WBA (0) 1 (Brown, T 84) Att: 30,869 West Ham: Parkes 7, Lampard 6, West Ham: Parkes 7, Lampard 6, Brush 6, Stewart 6, Martin 6, Devonshire 7, Allen 6, Pearson 6, ★PIKE 8, Brooking 7, Neighbour 6. WBA: ★GODDEN 8, Batson 6, Statham 6, Trewick 6, Wile 6, Robertson 6, Deehan 7, Brown, A 6, Regis 6, Owen 5 (sub. Brown, T), Barnes 6.
Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

COLCHESTER (0) 1 (Wignall 53) CHESTER (0) 1 (Phillips, pen 54) CHESTER (0) 1 (Phillips, pen 54)
Att: 3,251
Colchester: Walker, M 6, Cook 6,
Packer 6, *LESLIE 7, Wignall 6,
Dowman 6, Hodge 6, Gough 6, Foley
5, Lee 6, Allinson 5 (sub. Rowles 5).
Chester: Millington 6, Jeffries 5,
Walker, J 6, Storton 6, Cottam 6,
Oakes 5, Ruggiero 7, Jones 6, Rush
6, *PHILLIPS 8, Henderson 6.
Referee: R Challis (Tonbridge) Referee: R. Challis (Tonbridge)
Match Rating: ★★★

Scottish FA Cup **Second Round**

ALLOA (1) 1 (Hamilton 43) EAST FIFE (0) 0 Att: 480

Wednesday, Jan. 9

FA Cup Third Round

PORTSMOUTH (0) 1 (Brisley 61) MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 1 (Cochrane Att: 31,743 Att: 31,743
Portsmouth: Mellor 6, McLaughlin 6, Viney 5, Brisley 7, *AIZLEWOOD 8, Ellis 6, Gregory 6, Laidlaw 7, Hemmerman 7, Bryant 7, Rogers 7. Middlesbrough: Platt 6, Craggs 6, Johnson 5, Hedley 6, Ashcroft 7, McAndrew 7, Cochrane 7, Proctor 6, Hodgson 5, Jankovic 5, *ARMSTRONG 8.

Referee: T. D. Spencer (Salisbury) Match Rating: ****

Third Round Replay

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 0
TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Ardiles 116)
After Extra Time – Score at 90 mins
0-0 Att: 53.762 Att: 53,762
Man Utd: Bailey 6, Nicholl 6, Houston 7, McIroy 7, McQueen 7, Buchan 7, Coppell 6, Wilkins 6, Jordan 7, ★MACARI 8, Thomas 6.
Spurs: Aleksic 7 (sub. Pratt 7), Hughton 8, Miller 7, Yorath 6, McAllister 7, Perryman 7, ★ARDILES 9, Armstrong 6, Gibson 6, Hoddle 7, Villa 7 Referee: P. Partridge (Co. Durham) Match Rating: ★★★

ORIENT (0) 2 (Mayo 46, Jennings 68) ALTRINCHAM (0) 1 (Johnson 84)

Orient: Day 6, Fisher 6, Roffey 6, Taylor 6, Gray 5, Moores 6, Godfrey 6, Hughton 6, Mayo 6, Jennings 7, *COATES 8. Altrincham: Stepney 6, Allan 6, Davison 6, Bailey 5, Owens 5, King 5, Heathcote 5, Whitbread 7, Johnson 7, *ROGERS 8, Howard 7. Referee: M. R. Baker (Wolverhampton) Match Rating: ★★★

Friday, Jan. 11

Division Four

ROCHDALE (2) 2 (Taylor 8, Hilditch DARLINGTON (0) 2 (Walsh 54, Ball 89) Att: 1,697 Att: 1,697

Rochdale: Watson 5, Bannon 5,
Snookes 6, Waldron 6, *TAYLOR 7,
O'Laughlin 5, Hart 6, Wann 6, Seal 6,
Scaife 5, Hilditch 6.
Darlington: Owers 6, *NATTRESS
7, Cochrane 6, Ball 6, Craig 6, Smith
6, McLean 5, Charlton 5, Stalker 6,
Taylor 5, Walsh 6 (sub. Robinson).
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ***

STOCKPORT (0) 2 (Sherlock 55, Prudham 88)
TRANMERE (1) 2 (Craven 8, Beamish 86) Att: 2 878 Att: 2,878
Stockport: Lawson 7, Rutter 6,
Sherlock 6, Henson 7, Edwards 7,
*CZUCZMAN 8, Williams 6,
Prudham 7, Sword 6, Chapman 6, Prudham 7, Sword 6, Chapmen 6, Coyle 6.

Tranmere: Johnson 6, Parry 7, Flood 7, Bramhall 8, Edwards 6, Evans 6, Mungall 7, *CRAVEN 9, Kelly 6, Beamish 6, Peplow 7.

Referee: J. Bray (Hinckley)

Match Rating: ***

Saturday, Jan. 12

Division One

ARSENAL (0) 0 LEEDS (0) 1 (Connor 68) Att: 32,799 Att: 32,799
Arsenal: Jennings 6, Rice 5,
*NELSON 7, Talbot 5, Walford 5,
Young 6, Brady 6, Sunderland 5,
Stapleton 6, Hollins 6, Rix 6. Leeds: Lukic 6, Cherry 7, Stevenson 7, Hamson 7, Greenhoff 6, *MADELEY 8, Gray 6, Hird 7, Connor 7, Entwistle 6, Hampton 6.
Referee: D. Hutchinson (Cambridge)
Match Rating: **

ASTON VILLA (0) 2 (Gibson 63, EVERTON (0) 1 (Eastoe 87) Att: 31,108
Aston Villa: Rimmer 7, Swain 7,
Gibson 7, Evans 6, McNaught 7,
Mortimer 8, Bremner 7, *LITTLE 9,
Donovan 7, Cowans 8, Shaw 6.
Everton: Hodge 6, Gidman 6, Bailey
6, *WRIGHT 8, Lyons 7, Ross 5
(sub. O'Keefe 6), Hartford 7, Eastoe 6,
Latchford 6, Kidd 6, McBride 7.
Referee: P. J. Richardson (Lincoln)
Match Rating: *** Att: 31,108 Match Rating: ★★★

BOLTON (0) 0 BRIGHTON (1) 2 (Ward 12, 89) Att: 13,963 Att: 13,963
Bolton: McDonagh 7, Clement 6, Nicholson 6, Greaves 5, Allardyce 7, Walsh 5, Morgan 7, Whatmore 5, Gowling 5 (sub. Carter 6), Cantello 6, *REID 8.
Brighton: Moseley 7, Gregory 7, Williams 6, Horton 8, Foster 6, Suddaby 6, Ryan 7, *WARD 9, Clarke 7, Lawrenson 8, O'Sullivan 6.
Referee: G. M. Tyson (Sunderland)
Match Rating: **

DERBY (0) 1 (Osgood 66) CRYSTAL PALACE (1) 2 (Walsh 31, Derby: McKellar 6, Emery 5, Buckley 7, Daly 5, Powell, S 7, ★OSGOOD 8,

Clark 5 (sub. Emson 7), Powell, B 5, Biley 6, Davies 6, Moreland 6. Crystal Palace: Burridge 6, Hinshelwood 6, Cannon 7,

*KEMBER 8, Boyle 6, Gilbert 7,

Swindlehurst 7, Fenwick 6, Walsh 7,

Smillie 6 (sub. Goodchild), Hilaire 7. Referee: A. Porter (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★★

LIVERPOOL (0) 1 (McDermott, pen SOUTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Boyer 30) Kit. 44,055 Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 7, Kennedy, A 6, Thompson 7, Kennedy, R 6, ★HANSEN 8, Dalglish 7, Case 7, Johnson 7, McDermott 7, Souness

Southampton: *WELLS 9, Golac 7, Waldron 7, Baker 7, Watson 8, Nicholl 8, Ball 8, Boyer 8, Channon 7, Holmes 7, George 7. Referee: G. E. Flint (Kirkby-in-Ashfield) Match Rating: ★★★★

MANCHESTER CITY (1) 1 (Robinson, pen 21) TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Hoddle 70) Att: 34,837

Man City: *CORRIGAN 9,

Donachie 6, Power 7, Reid 7, Caton 6,

Henry 6 (sub. MacKenzie 6), Daley 8,

Robinson 7, Viljoen 6, Lee 6, Bennett Spurs: Daines 7, Hughton 7

McAllister 6, Yorath 6, Miller 6, *PERRYMAN 9, Ardiles 8, Jones 6 (sub. Pratt 6), Armstrong 7, Hoddle 7, Villa 8. Referee: J. Sewell (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★★

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 1 (Armstrong 65) MANCHESTER UNITED (1) 1

(Thomas 37) Att: 30,587 Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Craggs 8, Johnson 8, Hedley 8, Ramage 8, McAndrew 8, Cochrane 8, Proctor 8, Hodgson 8, Jankovic 7, *ARMSTRONG 9.

Man Utd: *BAILEY 9, Nicholl 7,
Houston 6, McIlroy 7, McQueen 8,
Buchan 7, Coppell 7, Wilkins 8,
Jordan 8, Macari 8, Thomas 7.
Referee: C. Seel (Carlisle)

Match Rating: ★★★★

NORWICH (1) 1 (Robson 45) COVENTRY (0) 0 Att: 16,467
Norwich: Keelan 7, Bond 7, Downs 7,
*RYAM 8, Brown 7, Powell 7,
Mendham 7, Robson 7 (sub. Fashanu
7), Reeves 7, Paddon 7, Peters 7.
Coventry: *BLYTH 8, Coop 6,
McDonald 6, Gooding 6, Dyson 7,
Gillespie 7, Nardiello 6 (sub. Witton
6), English 7, Hateley 7, Blair 6,
Hutchison 7.
Referee: D. Vickers (Essex)
Match Rating: **** Att: 16.467 Match Rating: ★★★★

STOKE (0) 0 IPSWICH (1) 1 (Mariner 34) IPSWICH (1) 1 (Mariner 34)
Att: 15,253
Stoke: Fox 7, Pejic 7, Johnson 7,
★IRVINE 8, Dodd 6, Doyle 5, Heath
6, Richardson 6, O'Callaghan 6,
Crooks 6, Randall 5 (sub. Chapman 6).
Ipswich: Cooper 7, Burley 7, Mills 7,
★THJSSEN 8, Osman 7, Butcher 7,
Wark 6, Muhren 7, Mariner 7, Brazil
6 (sub. McCall), Gates 7.
Referee: G. J. Napthine (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★★

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 3 (Needham 51, Francis 56, Anderson WBA (1) 1 (Regis 10)
Att: 27,724
Notts Forest: Shilton 6, Anderson 7,
Gray 6, McGovern 7, Lloyd 8,
Needham 7, O'Neill 7, Bowles 7,
Birtles 8, *FRANCIS 9 (sub. Mills Birtles 8, *FHANCIS 9 (sub. MIIIS G), Robertson, J 5.
WBA: Godden 7, *BATSON 8,
Statham 5, Trewick 5, Wile 7,
Robertson, A 6, Mills, D 5, Deehan 5,
Regis 7, Owen 6, Barnes 6 (sub.
Brown, T 6).
Referee: Partridge (Co. Durham) Match Rating: ★★★

WOLVES (1) 3 (Gray 17, Richards 76 Daniel 89) BRISTOL CITY (0) 0 BRISTOL CITY (0) 0
Att: 18,835
Wolves: Bradshaw 7, Palmer 7,
Parkin 6, Daniel 7, McAlle 7, Berry 6,
Atkinson 6, Carr 7, Gray 7,
*RICHARDS 8, Thomas 6.
Bristol City: Shaw 6, Tainton 6,
Whitehead 6, *GOW 7, Rodgers 6,
Merrick 5, Pritchard 6, Fitzpatrick 5,
Ritchie 5, Mann 6, Garland 6.
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: *** Match Rating: ★★★

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Division Two

BRISTOL ROVERS (1) 1 (Penny 40) BIRMINGHAM (0) 0 BIRMINGHAM (0) 0
Att: 9,351
Bristol Rovers: Thomas 7, Jones 6,
Cooper 7, Prince 6, Taylor 7, Aitken 6
*BARROWCLOUGH 8, Williams 7,
Penny 7, Dennehy 7, Pulis 6.
Birmingham: Wealands 7, Broadhurst
6, Dennis 6, Curbishley 7, Gallagher
7, Todd 6, *AINSCOW 8,
Worthington 6, Bertschin 5 (sub.
Dillon 6), Gemmill 6, Lynex 7.
Referee: J. Martin (Alton)
Match Rating: ***

BURNLEY (0) 0 SWANSEA (0) 0 Att: 8,806

Burnley: *STEVENSON, A 8, Scott
6, Dixon 6, Burke 5, Overson 7,
Rodaway 6, James, L 6, Dobson 6,
Hamilton 7, Young 5 (sub. Cavener 7),
Smith 7 Smith 7 Smin 7.
Swansea: Letheren 7, Marustik 6,
Rushbury 6, Charles 6, Stevenson, N
6, Giles 7, *CRAIG 8, Phillips 7,
James, R 6, Waddle 6, Callaghan 6.
Referee: J. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: **

CARDIFF (1) 1 (Moore 44) WREXHAM (0) 0 Att: 10,824 Att: 10,824
Cardiff: Healey 8, Dwyer 6, Sullivan
6, Campbell 8, Pontin 7, Thomas 8,
Lewis 6, Bishop 6, Moore 6,
*RONSON 9, Buchanan 7.
Wrexham: *DAVIES 9, Darracott 7,
Kenworthy 5, Davis 6, Jones 7, Fox 6,
Vinter 6, Sutton 5, Edwards 5, McNeil
6, Carrodus 5 (sub. Hill 5).
Referee: E. A. Read (Bristol)
Match Rating: *** Match Rating: ★★★★

CAMBRIDGE UTD (0) 2 (O'Neill 51, SHREWSBURY (0) 0 Att: 5,179 Att: 5,179
Cambridge: Webster 7, Turner 6,
Smith 6, Stringer 7, Fallon 6 (sub.
Finney 7), ★O'NEILL 8, Christie 6,
Spriggs 7, Reilly 7, Gibbins 6, Murray

Shrewsbury: Wardle 6, ★KING 8, Leonard 6, Turner 7, Griffin 7, Keay 6, Tong 6, Cross 6, Biggins 7, Dungworth 6, Maguire 5.
Referee: K. G. Salmon (Barnet)
Match Rating: ★★★

CHARLTON (0) 0 ORIENT (0) 1 (Coates 70) Att: 6.357 Att: 6,357
Charlton: Wood 6, Hazell 6, Gritt 6, Tydeman 6, Berry 6, Madden 6, Powell 6, Jacobsen 6, *OSTERGAARD 7, Walker 6, Robinson 5.

Orient: *DAY 8, Fisher 7, Roffey 7,
Taylor 7, Gray 6, Moores 6, Godfrey
6, Hughton 6, Mayo 6, Jennings 6, Coates 7. Referee: R. S. Lewis (Surrey) Match Rating: ★★★

CHELSEA (1) 4 (Fillery 38, Barton, og 48, Walker 49, Langley 75) NEWCASTLE (0) 0 Att: 32,281 Chelsea: Borota 7, Locke 8, Sparrow 8, Bumstead 8, Droy 8, Chivers 7, Britton 7, Fillery 8, Langley 8,

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LIVERPOOL edged Spurs, Crystal Palace won a point at Old Trafford and Celtic walloped Hibernian . . . but it will go down as the day that Brighton beat all the odds

No one but the most optimistic of Seagulls' fans, would have predicted celebration for the seaside team on that

day in mid-November.

But Mullery's men - at that time still struggling desperately to find their First Division feet - came away from the fortress of Nottingham Forest with two points . . . and turned the corner.

Brighton had gone to Forest reeling from a 4-1 defeat at home by Liverpool. The week before they had gone down 3-0 at Highbury to an Arsenal team that had already thrashed them twice in League and League Cup matches. The stark fact was they had not won an away game in the League and home form wasn't that much better.

But at Cloughie's castle began a run which saw Brighton lose just once in ten matches. They found themselves out of the relegation zone for the first time when they beat Wolves 3-1 away from home and now they have grabbed a place in the Fourth Round of the F.A. Cup.

Some revival - and no one is more delighted than Brighton skipper Brian Horton.

"I think we expected it to be hard in the First Division. There is certainly a big difference between the First and Second, but we have always believed we can play in the top Division," said Horton. "Early on we lost John Gregory and

Mark Lawrenson and they have made a big difference now they are back. Peter Ward has started to score again and we got-Ray Clarke whose scored a few. Our recent results have taken the pressure off everyone. The whole team has been playing better.

It was unusual for us to find ourselves struggling because we had been used to being at the top, but even now we know we still have to take it from match to match," added Horton.

"We have changed the system a little, but nothing drastic. Gerry Ryan has been playing a little deeper to make four across the middle, but that's the way most of the top sides play anyway.
"I don't think we ever got despondent.

by Paul Stratton.

There were games which we lost where we should certainly have got a point, like at Coventry and Villa where we lost 2-1, but we were letting in too many goals.

"I definitely think we are good enough to stay up this season," said Horton.

While Brighton were struggling to get away from the foot of the Division, Crystal Palace - promoted at the same time had a dream start. The comparison was always there to be made and while Palace were being dubbed as the team of the future, Brighton were going straight back down in many people's eyes.

So there must have been more than a little satisfaction on Boxing Day when Brighton took Palace to the cleaners with

a 3-0 home win.
"There's no doubt that Palace had a brilliant start, but it's a long, long season,"

said Horton. Obviously when we beat them it gave our fans a tremendous lift. Our supporters have been magnificent all season. We still got the crowds even in the bad times.

I think now from the sides we have beaten we have proved we can play in the First Division," said Horton.

Brighton manager Alan Mullery has undoubtedly been a big driving force behind the team's revival. He loves the game, loves the involvement and most of all loves to win.

Mullery has made no secret of his ambition and that is to be 'the best manager in the country.

It's a long hard road to the top but, maybe, not quite so daunting now for Mullery and his Brighton braves.

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Date	Opponents	Results	Scorers
Nov 17	Nottm. Forest	1-0	Ryan
Nov 24	M'brough	1-1	Williams
Dec 1	Derby County	2-0	Ward, Clarke
Dec 8	Everton	0-2	
Dec 15	Stoke City	0-0	
Dec 21	Wolves	3-1	Ward (3)
Dec 26	C. Palace	3-0	Horton, Ward, Ryan
Dec 29	Man. City	4-1	Clarke (2), Ward, Ryan
Jan 1	Bristol City	2-2	Clarke, (Rogers o.g.)
Jan 5	Mansfield	2-0	Ryan, Clarke



NEXT WEEK The rise of Second Division BURNLEY

RIOCH (BEFORE THE

FORTY EIGHT hours before the verbal clash with manager Colin Addison which led to him being put on the transfer list, Scottish international Bruce Rioch had paid a handsome tribute to his boss in an exclusive interview with MATCH WEEKLY.

He said: "Colin's a great motivator with a lot of enthusiasm and in that respect he's not unlike Tommy **Docherty**

Because of the circumstances, Colin has a much more difficult task than Dave Mackay, who I believe is the best manager I have served under at Derby.

In fact, Bloch has served

under three masters at the Baseball Ground - Docherty Mackay and, of course, Addison.

He also recalled the fact that this was his second spell at the Baseball Ground. In between he was with Everton for a season. Docherty brought him

season. Docherty brought him back — but that wasn't always the happiest of relationships. It hasn't always been problems, however. He recalled that first stay with some pleasure, having played in a Derby team which was then one of the best in English football.

He acknowledged the fact, however, that this time things were going to be different and, commenting on the threat of relegation, he continued: "It's going to be a fight to the death for Derby. There's certain to be

four teams battling it out.

"I thought this season would be a tough one, but we've been very hard hit by injuries and it does not help when you are constantly having to make team

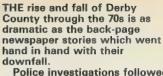
Rioch had said that he would like to make a name for himself in football management when the day came for him to pack away his boots.

When you have a successful period you take the points for granted. But when things are not going so well it gives you a chance to sit back and look at some of the reasons why you're not doing so well.

All the managers I've served under have got something to offer and you've got to pick their brains. You throw out some information and retain that which you think will come

Amazingly after saying he would like to go into management Rioch then spelled out all the factors which would combine to make life difficult for him. He mentioned the unpredictability of the game and the impatience of directors for starters

But I love football and it's the only thing I'm interested in, so I'm looking forward to it. Ideally I would like to start off as a coach somewhere and work up but ! don't think you can plan that far ahead. You've got to take each opportunity as it comes.



Police investigations followed by allegations of tapping and the inevitable reports of player/manager bust-ups only demonstrated how low standards had dropped at the Baseball Ground - off the field as well as on it.

The man given the Churchillian task of restoring sanity and putting the club back on an even keel was Colin Addison, appointed Rams' boss at the beginning of the season.

Following in the brash and breezy footsteps of Tommy Docherty is hard enough at the best of times. But when Soccer's 'Mr Colourful' had seemed obsessed with selling his best players the task is made doubly difficult.

"We knew it was going to be tough at the start" Addison told MATCH WEEKLY. "People say to me 'is it harder than you expected' but the answer's no.

I would say, however, that we did not foresee all the injury problems. We haven't moaned about the injuries all season, we've gone out and got on with the job as best as we could.

But at the end of the day when you lose people of the calibre of Gerry Daly, Roy McFarland and Stevie Powell for so much of the season it's a hell of a blow.

We know we've got to battle and it looks as though it's going to go to the end of the season but I feel confident that if we



Colin Addison hardly has a moment's rest in the long struggle to steer Derby away from the relegation zone.

stick together and keep morale

up we'll be all right.
"We've got to start getting some results under our belts now because if we leave it until the end of the season it may be too late."

Addison lists consistency, or rather the lack of it, as Derby's major downfall this season.

Take for instance that wonderful victory 4 – 1 over Nottingham Forest at the Baseball Ground.







Bruce Riach - looked on Addison as a man with great

Addison says Derby could have afforded a 20 per cent drop in performance after that game and still come out on top in their next two fixtures with Brighton and Manchester City.

But County continued their 'hot and cold' streak and went down on each occasion.

"It was typical of our season," Addison laments. "It has been stop-start all the time. We've had bright spells, some magic moments, but then we've fallen away again. There's just been no continuity."

Addison took one of the toughest jobs going when he agreed to leave the 'safe' post of number two to Ron Atkinson at West Bromwich Albion for the Baseball Ground in the close-season.

One of the top sides in the First Division in the early 70s – Derby won the League Championship in '71 – 72 and '74 – 75 – the Rams have been on the slippery downward slope ever since the Board saw fit to dismiss Dave Mackay.

It has been one long tale of woe and managers Colin Murphy and Tommy Docherty have been and gone after failing to revive flagging spirits.

to revive flagging spirits.

Matters weren't helped by the frequent bust-ups between the volatile 'Doc' and star players like Daly, Rioch and Masson.

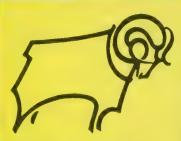


Roy McFarland, — it's one of the tragedies of modern football that injuries have damaged the career of the Derby and England centre-half.

There was trouble behind-thescenes and the police mounted an investigation.

Addison had been in hot demand before and had already given the thumbs down to flattering offers from Sunderland and Cardiff. But when Derby got in touch he found that challenge too big to turn down.

"Basically life's a challenge and I realised this job was an almighty task. It would have been easy to say no — we'd had a lot of success with Albion last season and I was already well paid — but I'd set out in the game to become a First Division manager so why not start off at Derby?"



ADDRESS: Baseball Ground, Shaftesbury Crescent, Derby DE3 8NB. Telephone: Derby 40105. GROUND CAPACITY: 37,000. PITCH: 110yds × 71yds.
OFFICIAL RECORD ATTENDANCE: 41,826 v Tottenham, Division One, September 20, 1969.
RECORD RECEIPTS: £65,000 v Juventus, European Cup Semi-Final, April 1973. LEAGUE RECORD: 1888 — original member of Football League; 1907 – 12 Division 2; 1912 – 14 · Division 1; 1914 – 15 Division 2; 1915 – 21 Division 1; 1955 – 57 Division 3(N); 1957 – 69 Division 2; 1969 — Division 1. HONOURS: League champions — 1971 – 72, 1974 – 75; runners-up 1895 – 96, 1929 – 30, 1935 – 36; Division 2 champions 1911 – 12,

1914 – 15, 1968 – 69; runners-up
1925 – 26; Division 3(N) chempions
1956 – 57; runners-up 1955 – 56;
F.A. Cup winners 1945 – 46;
runners-up 1897 – 98, 1898 – 99,
1902 – 03; Football League Cup
Semi-Finalist 1967 – 68. Qualified for
European Cup 1972 – 73, 1975 – 76.
UEFA Cup 1974 – 75. 1976 – 77,
RECORD VICTORY: 12 – 0 v Finn
Harps (Ireland) in UEFA Cup, Third
Round, first leg. September 15,
1976.
PECORD DESEAT: 2 – 11 v Fuerton

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RECORD DEFEAT: 2 - 11 v Everton,
First Round, F.A. Cup 1889 - 90.

MOST LEAGUE POINTS: 65.

Division 2, 1988 - 69 and 63,
Division 3(N), 1966 - 66, 1966 - 67.

MOST LEAGUE GOALS: 111

Division 3(N), 1956 - 57.

LEAGUE SCORING RECORD: Jack
Bowers, 37, Division 1, 1930 - 31,
and Ray Straw, 37, Division 3(N),
1966 - 57.

MOST AGGREGATE GOALS: Steve
Bloomer, 291, 1892 - 1906 and
1910 - 14.

1910 – 14.

MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES:
Jack Parry, 478, 1949 – 66.

MOST CAPPED PLAYER: Roy
MoFarland, 28 (England).

RECORD TRANSFER FEE PAID:
£350,000 to Coventry for Barry
Powell, October '79.

RECORD TRANSFER FEE
RECEIVED: £400,000 from
Southampton for Charlie George,
December '78.





"But I took on an almighty task," says Addison.



HOW TO GET THERE

BY RAIL: the nearest railway station is Derby Midland Road.
BY BUS: Numbers 60, 188 and 189 run from the town centre to the ground.

BY ROAD: from the north follow signs Derby A38 to town centre, then follow signs Melbourne A514. Then on nearside of railway bridge turn right into Shaftesbury Street for Derby County F.C.

From the south east and west use Derby ring road from east and south (signposted Burton) and from west (signposted Nottingham) as far as junction with A514, then follow signs town centre into Osmaston Road. In 1.3m turn left into Shaftesbury Street for Derby County F.C.

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The magic Hatter

MANY critics hinted that Luton Town would not stay the course this season. Their success was a flash in the pan, they said. How could these young upstarts from Bedfordshire make a sustained challenge for a place in the First Division?

The one man for whom their success has been no surprise, however, is manager David Pleat, who has shown complete faith in his squad of young players and is now reaping the benefits.

The secret of the Hatters' challenge has been the quality of their players – skilled performers like 20-year-old coloured midfield star Ricky Hill.

For him this is no new experience. A former England Youth player, he has been catching the eye since he joined the Kenilworth Road staff as an apprentice four years ago. By the time he was 17 he had established himself as a firstteam player and although still very young, is now considered as one of the more experienced players in the team.

Attention

Now that he has earned his eputation of being an excellent ball player, with pace and a tremendous shot, MATCH WEEKLY asked Ricky if he found he was coming in for special attention from his opponents.

His answer typified the quiet modesty of this young man: "I is nice to be recognised as a good player," he said. "The manager has given me a lot of praise, but really there is no pressure on me. I just go out there and do my best.

Things are going quite well at the moment, but as time passes you find that other clubs pay more attention to you. Our midfield of Alan West, Paddy Grealish and myself have got a reputation as a good footballing combination and because of this some clubs now mark us very tightly and try to crowd us out, especially at home. It is hard to break down at times – but we have to, otherwise the team suffers all round.

But I have not found that any one player has been detailed to stand on me. If they did I would just try to take them out and do my own thing. will still try and push forward.

Reviewing the first half of the season, Ricky explained why he thinks Luton are doing so well after a dismal start that saw them eliminated from the Football League Cup by Third Division Gillingham.
"The main difference has

HILL'S SKILLS KEEPS **LUTON ON COURSE** Luton's coloured midfield star Ricky Hill had established himself as a first-team regular by the time has the sit years old. Now at just 20, he is sensidered to be one of the Matters' most experienced players.

been the return from America of Alan West. Ever since I have been at this club, Westy has been a player I have looked up to and a player that we always know will want to receive the ball and slow it down. Tony Grealish is also good at this and the understanding in the side is really good now.

'As for my own game, there are a few things I would like to improve on, particularly my consistency. Every game is different, but I have to try and find a level par in my performance.

Meanwhile, Hill and his colleagues continue to confound the sceptics with their own pleasing brand of open football, linking results with entertainment, a quality lacking in many sides these



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★WALKER 9, Harris 8.
Newcastle: Hardwick 6, Brownlie 6,
Davies 6, Cassidy 6, Barton 6,
★BOAM 7, Shoulder 5, Cartwright 5,
Withe 5, Rafferty 5 (sub. Connolly 5), Hibbitt 5

Referee: L. Shapter (Kings Kerswell)
Match Rating: ★★★

LUTON (0) 0 LEICESTER (0) 0 Att: 14,141

Att: 14,141
Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 7, Saxby
7, Price 6, Donaghy 7, Grealish 6, Hill
7, West 6, Stein 8, Hatton 5,

*MOSS 9.
Leicester: *WALLINGTON 9,
Williams 7, May 8, O'Neill 7, Welsh
6, Goodwin 5, Henderson 7, Kelly 5
(sub. Strickland 6), Wilson 7, Young 6,
Smith 7.

Referen: H. P. Pobinger (S. 15, 11)

Referee: H. R. Robinson (Suffolk)
Match Rating: ★★★

PRESTON (0) 3 (Elliott 70, 82, McGee 78)
FULHAM (0) 2 (Gale 84, Davies 89)

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Att: 7,912
Preston: Tunks 7, Taylor 8, McAteer
7, Doyle 7, Anderson 7, O'Riordan 7,
Bell 6, Haslegrave 6, ★ELLIOTT 9,
McGee 7, Bruce 6.
Fulham: Peyton 7, Peters 6, Strong 7,
Money 7, Banton 7, Gale 7, Wilson 7,
Beck 7, Davies 7, Maybank 7,
★GAYLE 8.
Referee: M. Lowe (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★★

QPR (0) 1 (Allen 46) NOTTS COUNTY (1) 3 (Christie 26, Hooks 56, Hunt 69) Att: 9,613

Att: 9,613
QPR: Woods 6, Shanks 6, Wallace 7,
McCreery 7, Wicks 6, Roeder 7,
Walsh 5 (sub. Neal 6), Goddard 6,
Allen 6, *WADDOCK 8, Burke 6.
Notts County: Leonard 7, Benjamin 6, O'Brien 7, Hunt 6, Kilcline 7,
Blockley 7, Doherty 6, Masson 7,
Christie 7, *HOOKS 8, Mair 6 (sub. Wood)

Referee: S. G. Bates (Bristol) Match Rating: ★★

SUNDERLAND (0) 4 (Brown 49, 60,

64, Robson 66) OLDHAM (1) 2 (Stainrod 11, Atkinson 87) Att: 19,456

Att: 19,456
Sunderland: Siddall 6, Whitworth 8,
Bolton 5, Clarke 8, Elliott 7, Cummins
6, Arnott 7, Marangoni 6,
*BROWN 9, Robson 6, Dunn 5 (sub.

Rowell 6). Oldham: Pratt 6, Wood 7, Holt 5. Oldnam: Fratt 6, Wood 7, Holt 5, Kowenicki 6, Clements 5, Hurst 6, Valentine 7, Halom 7, Steel 6, ★STAINROD 8, Atkinson 6. Referee: M, G. Peck (Doncaster) Match Rating: ★★★

Sending Off: Hurst (Oldham)

WEST HAM (0) 1 (Bonds 86) WATFORD (0) 1 (Rostron 48) Att: 23,553 Att: 23,553
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7,
*BONDS 8, Lampard 6, Martin 6,
Devonshire 6, Allen 5, Pearson 6,
Pike 6, Brooking 5, Neighbour 6.
Watford: Steele 6, Henderson 7,
Harrison 6, Patching 6, Sims 7,
Bolton 7, Booth 7, Blissett 6 (sub.
Poskett 6), Ward 5, *TRAIN 8,
Restron 7 Referee: C. A. Maskell (Bourn,

Match Rating: ★★★

Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

BARNSLEY (0) 1 (Banks 89) SWINDON (0) 2 (Mayes 61, Rowland 80) Att: 10.420 Att: 10,420
Barnsley: Pierce 7, Joyce 6, Collins
6, Glavin 7, Chambers 7, ★EVANS
8, Banks 6, Aylott 7, Graham 6,
Lester 6, Millar 6.
Swindon: ★ALLAN 8, Lewis 6
Stroud 6, McHale 6, Tucker 6, Carter
6, Miller 6, Kamara 7, Rowlands 6,
Mayes 7 (sub. Bates 6), Williams 6.
Referee: B. Martin (Keyworth)
Match Rating: ★★★



Alistair Robertson and John Wile (stripes) challenge West Ham's Stuart Pearson in last Tuesday night's FA Cup third round replay, in which the Hammers beat Albion 2-1.

CARLISLE (1) 4 (Bonnyman 24, Beardsley 54, Ludlam 57, Hoolickin

80) MILLWALL (0) 0 MILLWALL (0) 0
Att: 4,867
Carlisle: Swinburne 6, *HOOLICKIN
9, Winstanley 7, MacDonald 7,
Ludlam 8, Parker 7, McVitie 8,
Bonnyman 8, Beardsley 8, Hamilton
7, Staniforth 7 (sub. Bannon 6).
Millwall: *JACKSON 8, Coleman 7,
Roberts 7, Mehmet 7, Tagg 5, Blyth 5,
Towner 6, Seasman 5, McKenna 5
(sub. Donaldson 6). Lyons 7

(sub. Donaldson 6), Lyons 7, O'Callaghan 5. Referee: D. Clarke (Accrington) Match Rating: ★★★

CHESTER (0) 1 (Jones 62) BURY (0) 0 Att: 4.692 Att: 4,692
Chester: Millington 6, Jeffries 4,
Walker 7, Storton 5, Cottam 7, Oakes
7, Ruggiero 5 (sub. Burns 5),
*JONES 8, Rush 7, Phillips 5,
Henderson 6. Renderson 6.

Bury: Forrest 6, Constantine 5,
Kennedy 5, McIlwraith 6, Whitehead
5, Waddington 6, ★MULLEN 8, Lugg
7, Halford 6, Hilton 5, Madden 7.
Referee: P. Reeves (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★★

CHESTERFIELD (0) 1 (Walker 66) BRENTFORD (0) 0 Att: 5,529
Chesterfield: Kendall 6, Tartt 6,
O'Neill 7, Ridley 6, Green 6, Kowalski
6, Birch 7, Moss 5, *WALKER 8,
Salmons 5, Crawford 6.
Brentford: Bond 6, Shrubb 7, Tucker
6, Salmon 6, Kruse 5, Fraser 7,
Carlton 6, Allder 5 (sub. Smith),
Holmes 5, Graham 6, *PHILLIPS 8.
Referee: A. Banks (Manchester)
Match Rating: ** Att: 5,529 Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Kruse (Brentford)

EXETER (2) 3 (Kenworthy, og 10 secs, Hatch 7, Pullar 74) SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 1 (De Goey, pen 68) Att: 5.460 Exeter: Main 8, Mitchell 9, *HATCH 10, Hore 8, Giles 9, Roberts 8, Neville 9, Rogers 8, Bowker 7, Delve 9, Pullar

9.
Sheff Utd: Richardson 7, Moore 7,
Garner 8, Kenworthy 7, Tibbott 8,
Matthew 7, De Goey 7, Speight 8,
Busby 7, Charles 7, ★SABELLA 9.
Referes: A. Robinson (Waterlooville)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Matthews (Sheffield

GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Weatherly 48) READING (1) 1 (Kearney 32) Att: 6,238 Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 7, Barker 6, Overton 7, Weatherly 7, Crabbe 6, Nicholl 6, Hughes 6, A PRICE 8, Westwood 6, Walker 6.
Reading: Death 6, Joslyn 7, White 6,
Bowman 7, Hetzke 7, ★MORELINE
8, Earles 6, Kearney 7, Heale 6, Sanchez 6, Lewis 7.
Peferee: M. P. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★★

GRIMSBY (1) 1 (Brolly 28) BLACKBURN (2) 2 (McKenzie 19, Grimsby: Batch 7, Stone 6, Crosby 6, *WATERS 8, Wigginton 7, Crombie 7, Brolly 5, Kilmore 5 (sub. Mawer 5), Drinkell 5, Mitchell 5, Ford 5. Drinkell 5, Mitchell 5, Ford 5.

Blackburn: Arnold 6, Branagan 7,
Rathbone 7, Metcalfe 6, Keeley 7,
Fazackerley 6, Brotherston 7,
Crawford 7, Garner 7, *McKENZIE
8, Kendall 7,
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ***

HULL (2) 3 (Edwards 16, 80, Moss, pen 26) MANSFIELD (0) 1 (Allen 84) Att: 4,243 Hull: Blackburn 6, Nisbet 6, DeVries 7, Croft 6, Dobson 6, *HAIGH 8, Roberts 7, Marwood 7, Edwards 7, Norrie 7 (sub. McDonald 6), Moss 6 Mansfield: New 6, Thompson 5 (sub. Thomson 5), Foster 5, Curtis 6, Bird 5, McClelland 6, Allen 6, Goodwin 6, Austin 6, Lathan 5, ★MANN 7. Referee: D. A. Webb (Sale) Match Rating: ★★★

OXFORD (0) 0 COLCHESTER (1) 2 (Foley 32, Lee 81) 81)
Att. 3,867
Oxford: Brown 5, Doyle 5, McIntosh 7, Briggs 5, Bodel 5, Jeffrey 4 (sub. White), *TAYLOR 8, Duncan 6, Foley 5, Berry 5, Watson 4.
Colchester: Walker 6, Cook 6, Packer 5, Leslie 5, Wignall 6, Dowman 5, Hodge 6, Gough 6, *FOLEY 8, Lee 7 Allinson 5. 7, Allinson 5.
Referee: A. Gunn (Sussex)
Match Rating: **

ROTHERHAM (1) 2 (Forrest, pen 41, pen 66) SOUTHEND (1) 1 (Parker, pen 43) Att: 4,092

Rotherham: Mountford 5, Forrest 7, ★BRECKIN 8, Tiler 6, Stancliffe 6, Green 5, Gooding 5, Rhodes 4, Dawson 5, Fern 6, Finney 6. Southend: Cawston 5, Stead 6, Dudley 6, Hadley 5, Cusack 5, Otulakowski 5, Gray 5, Pountney 6, Parker 6, ★SPENCE 7 (sub. Tuohy), Nelson 6 Referee: K. Walmsley (Blackpool)

Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 0 PLYMOUTH (1) 1 (Cook 37) Att: 13 287 Sheff Wed: Bolder 6, Blackhall 6, Williamson 7, Smith 7, Pickering 7
Hornsby 6, King 5 (sub. Leman 7),
Johnson 6, Mellor 7, McCulloch 6,
*CURRAN 8.

★CURRAN 8.

Plymouth: Crudgington 8, James 8, Harrison 7, Randell 6, Foster 7, Phillipson-Masters 6, Hodges 7, Cooper 6, Sims 7, ★BASON 9, Cook

Referee: A. Dobson (Blackburn) Match Rating: ★★:

WIMBLEDON (1) 1 (Galliers 19) BLACKPOOL (1) 2 (Jones, G 38, Morris 83) Att: 2,688
Wimbledon: Beasant 5, Briley 6,
Jones, S 6, Galliers 7, Bowgett 5,
Cunningham 5, Dzadulewicz 6,
*PARSONS 8, Leslie 7, Cork 5, Lewington 6. Elevington o.

Blackpool: Hesford 7, Gardner 6,
Pashley 5, Malone 6, Ashurst 6,
Thompson 5, *MORRIS 8, Doyle 6,
Jones, G 5, Kellow 6, Harrison 6.
Referee: L. F. Burden (Dorset) Match Rating: **

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (0) 0 HARTLEPOOL (1) 2 (Houchen 35, Newton 81) Att: 3,516 Aldershot: Johnson 6, Edwards 6, Wooler 6, Dixon 6, Bennett 6, Jopling 6, *CROSBY 7, Brodie 5, French 6, Needham 5, McGregor 5. Neednam 5, McGregor 5.
Hartlepool: Burleigh 6, Sweeney 6,
Carr 7, Lawrence 6, Brookes 6, Ayr 6,
Linacre 6, Houchen 7, *NEWTON 8,
Normanton 6, Hampton 7.
Referee: E. Hill (Wellingborough)
Match Rating: **

BOURNEMOUTH v SCUNTHORPE

— Match Postponed

BRADFORD CITY (1) 1 (Campbell PETERBOROUGH (0) 1 (Kellock 79) Bradford City: Smith 6, Podd 7, Watson 7, Robertson 5 (sub. Jones), Baines 6, Cooper 6, Wood 6, Dolan 7, Staniforth 6, McNiven 7,

Stanforth 6, McNiven 7,

★CAMPBELL 8.

Peterborough: Waugh 7, Carmichael
6, Phillips 6, Guy 7, ★SLOUGH 8,

Foster 6, Quow 7, Kellock 6, Syrett 6,

Robson 6 (sub. Chard 6), Cliss 6. Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle)
Match Rating: ★★★

CREWE (0) 2 (Scott 55, Hunter 80) HALIFAX (0) 1 (Firth 70) Att: 2,579 Att: 2,579
Crewe: Grobellaar 7, Lewis 7,
Bowers 7, Hunter 7, Scott 7,
*PROPHETT 8, McMahon 7, Guy 6,
Conroy 7, Pallios 7, Ashworth 6 (sub. Halifax: Kilner 7, Dunleavy 6, Hutt 6, Evans 6, Harris 7, *HENDRIE 8, Firth 6, Kennedy 7, Mountford 6, Smith 6, Stafford 7, Referee: M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)

Match Rating: ★★★

DONCASTER (0) 2 (Bentley, og 69, PORT VALE (2) 3 (Sproson 11, Chamberlain 36, 71) Att: 3,859 Doncaster: Peacock 6, Russell 6, Doncaster: Peacock 6, Russell 6, Snodin 7, Lister 5 (sub. Pugh), Lally 5, Bradley 6, Flanagan 7, Nimmo 7, Warboys 6, ★LITTLE 8, Riley 6. Port Vale: Dance 6, Keenan 7, Griffiths 8, Bentley 7, Delgado 7, Sproson 7, Beech 6, Farrell 6, Owen 6 (sub. Bromage 6), ★CHAMBERLAIN 9, Healy 7. Referee: T. Farley (Newton Aycliffe)
Match Rating: ★★★

HEREFORD (0) 0 WALSALL (0) 1 (Penn 88) Att: 4,814 Att: 4,814
Hereford: Hughes 7, Price 7, Burrows 7, *SPIRING 8, Layton 7, Feeley 6, Cunningham 6, Marshall 6, McGrellis 6, Jones 7, White 6.
Walsall: Green 7, Williams 7, Mower 6, Sbragia 7, Serella 7, *PAUL 8, Penn 7, Waddington 6, McDonagh 7, Buckley 6, Caswell 6.
Referee: F. Phipps (Wrexham)
Match Rating: **

HUDDERSFIELD (1) 3 (Robins 17, Kindon, pen 55, Fletcher 88) LINCOLN (0) 2 (Harford 50, Cunningham 74) Att: 8,108 Huddersfield: Rankin 6, Brown 6, Robinson 6, Stanton 6, Sutton 6, Hanvey 7, Laverick 7 (sub. Fletcher), Hart 7, Kindon 6, ★ROBINS 8, Cowling 7.
Lincoln: McManus 7, Thompson 6,
Neale 6, Watson 7, Saunders 5,
Peake 6, Hobson 6, Carr 7, *HARFORD 8, Cunningham 7, Bell Referee: N. Glover (Chorley)
Match Rating: ★★★★

NORTHAMPTON v TORQUAY -Match Postponed

PORTSMOUTH (1) 1 (Brisley 14) WIGAN (0) 1 (Houghton 89) Att: 15,625 Att: 15,625
Portsmouth: Mellor 6, McLaughlin 6, Viney 5, Brisley 7, Aizlewood 7, Ellis 6, Gregory 7, *LAIDLAW 8, Hemmerman 6, Bryant 6, Rogers 5 (sub. Garwood).
Wigan: Brown 6, Fretwell 6, Hinnigan 6, Gore 7, *METHVEN 8, Davids 7, Corrigan 6, Wright 7, Brownbill 5 (sub. Houghton 7), Quinn 5, Urguhart 6. 5, Urguhart 6. Referee: B, Daniels (Brentwood)
Match Rating: ★★★

YORK (0) 2 (Kay 48, Lorimer 67) NEWPORT (0) 1 (Aldridge 56) Att: 2.248 York: Neenan 7, Kay 7, Walsh 7, Pugh 8, Faulkner 7, Clements 7, Randall 7, ★LORIMER 9, Eccles 7, McDonald 7, Logie 7, Newport: Plumley 7, Walden 6, Relish 6, Bruton 6, ★OAKES 8, Bailey 7 (sub. Warrener), Vaughan 6, Lowndes 7, Tynan 6, Aldridge 6, Referee: P. A. Tildesley (Stockport)

Match Rating: ★★★

SCOTTISH **Premier Division**

ABERDEEN (1) 3 (Strachan 1, Archibald 75, Hamilton 89) RANGERS (1) 2 (MacDonald 11, Jackson 49) Att: 18,000 Att: 18,000
Aberdeen: Clark 4, Kennedy 7,
Considine 7, McLeish 7, Garner 6,
Rougvie 6, ★STRACHAN 8,
Archibald 7, Hamilton 7, McMaster 6, Scanlon 6 Scanlon 6.
Rangers: McCloy 7, Jardine 7,
Dawson 6 (sub. Smith 6), Forsyth 6,
*JACKSON 8, Stevens 5, McLean
5, Russell 6, Parlane 5, MacDonald, A
5, MacDonald, J 7.
Referee: A. R. Valentine (Dundee)
Match Rating: ****

DUNDEE (1) 1 (Redford 28) MORTON (0) 0 Att: 7,922 Att. 7,922

Dundee: Donaldson 7, Barr 6,
Schaedler 6 (sub. Williamson 6),
McLaren 7, Glennie 5, Shirra 7,

★MACKIE 8, Redford 6 (sub.
Fletcher 5), Pirie 6, Sinclair 7, Murphy

Morton: Baines 6, McLaren 6, Holmes 6, Anderson 6, McLaughlin 5, Orr 6, ★TOLMIE 8, Craig 5 (sub. Scott 5), Thomson 7, Hutchison 6, Ritchie 6. Referee: D. Ramsay (Edinburgh) Match Rating: ★★★★

HIBERNIAN (1) 1 (Best 26)
CELTIC (1) 1 (Aitken 37)
Att: 21,936
Hibs: McArthur 7, Brazil 6, Lambie 6,
Rae 6, Paterson 6, McNamara 5,
Callachan 7, MacLeod 5, Higgins 6,
Campbell 6, *BEST 9.
Celtic: Latchford 6, Sneddon 6,
McGrain 6, Aitken 7, McDonald 6,
McAdam 6, *PROVEN 8, Sullivan 5,
Lennox 5, MacLeod 6, Doyle 5.
Referee: B. Robertson (East Kilbride)
Match Rating: ***

PARTICK (0) 1 (McAdam 75) KILMARNOCK (0) 1 (Street 71) Att: 4.000 Att: 4,000
Partick: Rough 7, McKinnon 6,
Whittaker 6, Campbell 6, ★McADAM
8, Anderson 6, Doyle 7, Melrose 6,
Gibson 5 (sub. Wilson), Jardine 5, Kilmarnock: McCulloch 7, Welsh 6, McLean 6, Clark 6, *CLARKE 8, McDicken 7, Houston 6, Maxwell 5, Gibson 5, Ormond 7, Street 6. Referee: A. S. Harris (Liff) Match Rating: ***
Sending Off: McDicken (Kilmarnock)

ST MIRREN (1) 2 (Somner 6, pen **DUNDEE UNITED (1) 1 (Narey 35)** Att: 8,535

St Mirren: Thomson 7, Young 6,
Beckett 6, *RICHARDSON 9, Fulton
7, Copland 6, Bone 8, Stark, W 5
(sub. Docherty 5), Somner 7,
McDougall 7, Weir 7.

Dundee Utd: McAlpine 7, Stark, D 6,
Kopel 6, Phillip 6, Hegarty 7,
*NAREY 8, Bannon 7, Sturrock 7,
Pettigrew 6, Dodds 6, Payne 6.
Referee: R. Tuthill (Edinburgh)
Match Rating: *** Match Rating: ★★★★

Division One

ARBROATH (0) 1 (Barber 82) DUNFERMLINE (1) 3 (McNaughton 22, Leonard 72, 89) Att: 1,257

BERWICK (2) 5 (Wallace 19, 50, Smith, G 26, Romain 57, Smith, D, pen 67) ST JOHNSTONE (0) 0

CLYDE (0) 2 (O'Neill 49, McCabe 66) HAMILTON (0) 2 (McManus 64,

CLYDEBANK (1) 1 (Ronald 12)

DUMBARTON (0) 0 AIRDRIE (0) 0 Att: 5,200

RAITH (0) 0 MOTHERWELL (0) 1 (Kidd 63) Att: 2,000

STIRLING (0) 0 HEARTS (0) 1 (Stewart 89) Att: 2,800

Division Two

ALLOA (1) 2 (Hope 20, 89) MONTROSE (0) 1 (Robb 57) Att: 500

COWDENBEATH (1) 2 (Riley 7, Rowland, pen 60) EAST STIRLING (1) 4 (Grant 44, Bennett 49, Lamont 51, 58) Att: 550

Abandoned after 80 minutes - Fog

EAST FIFE (0) 1 (Lumsden 70) FALKIRK (0) 0 Att: 789

FORFAR (2) 2 (Clark 8, Brash 25) ALBION (1) 2 (Leishman 39, Houston 86)

QUEEN'S PARK (3) 4 (Gillespie, M 9, 16, Irvine 36, McGregor 64) BRECHIN (0) 0 Att: 300

Scottish FA Cup Second Round

COLDSTREAM (1) 1 (Kerr 30) QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (0) 1 (Gordon 50) Att: 1,000

Second Round Replays

PETERHEAD (0) 2 (Brown 49, Hunter 55) STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0 Att: 1,058

BRORA RANGERS (0) 1 (McKay 61) BUCKIE THISTLE (0) 2 (Christie 55, Nicholl 100) After Extra Time - Score at 90 mins Att: 1,060

MEADOWBANK (1) 2 (Small 15, Jobson 70) STRANRAER (0) 1 (McCutcheon 84)

League Tables

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Liverpool	23	8	4	0	28	5	6	3	2	22	10	3
Man. Utd	24	10	2	0	26	3	3	5	4	11	14	3
Arsenal	25	5	5	3	14	8	4	5	3	14	12	21
Norwich	25	7	5	0	24	12	2	5	6	14	21	28
	25	8	1		30		3	4			16	
	23		3			12	3	6			11	
Ipswich		8	3		17	9	4	1			21 18	
Leeds	23						3	6				
Nottm. For		8	2		22		3	2			21	
Middlesbro		7	5		17	7	3	1	7		15	
C. Palace	24	6	5	1	17	5	2	5	5	10	20	26
Wolves	23	5	5	2	18	10	5	0	6	13	19	25
Coventry	25	8	1	3	24	14	3	1	9	13	29	20
Tottenham		7	1	3	16	12.		5			24	
Man. City	24	6	3			12	3	2			24	
Everton	25	4	5		19		2	5			16	
Brighton	24	5	3		17		3	3			22	
West Brom	24	6	4		25		0	4	8		21	
Stoke	24	5	2		17		1	5	6		18	
Bristol C	25	3	5		12		2	3	7	8	20	18
Darby	25	5	1	7	18	17	1	3	8	.5	20	16
Bolton		1	8	3		11	0	1	11		31	

	P	W	D	LF	A	W	D	L	F	A	PS
Chelsea	25	9	1	2 22	7	6	2	5	22	21	33
Newcastle	25	11	1	0 24	8	2	6	5	15	20	33
Luton	25	5	7	1 24	12	6	3	3	19	15	32
Leicester	25	7	4	2 22	13	4	5	3	18	14	31
Sunderland .	25	11	2	0 31	11	1	3	8	7	20	29
Birmingham .	24	8	2	2 17	9	4	3	5	14	15	29
West Ham	23	8	2	2 19	8	4	1			15	
Wrexham	25	9	1	2 18	6	3	2			20	
Q.P. Rangers	24	7	3	2 31	13	3	2			19	
Preston	25	5	7	1 22	16	2	4			14	
Swansea	25	9	0	4 21	12	1	5			20	
Orient	24	- 5	4	3 18	24	3	5	4	11	12	25
Notts Cnty .	25	4	6	3 20	15	4	2	6	15	16	24
Cardiff	25	7	2	3 12	9	2	3	- 8	11	22	23
Cambridge	25	5	4	3 22			6	6	11	20	22
Watford	24	5	4	3 13		1	4	7		16	
Shrewsbury .	25	7	3	2 23		1	0			25	
Oldham	23	6	2	3 13	9	0	5	7	11	21	19
Bristol Roy	24	6	4	2 21	13	1	1			28	
Burnley	25	4	5	4 14	14	1	4	7	14	29	19
Charlton	24	5	4	3 16		0	3	9		26	
Fulham	23	3	2		17	3	1	8		26	

DIVISION THREE

DIVISION TWO

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DIVISION FOUR

Barnsley Hull Mansfield

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Walsall	27	7	6	0 22	11	- 8	4	2	21	13	40
Huddersfield	28	10	2	2 40	13	7	3	4	23	19	39
Portsmouth	27		2	2 46		5	3			16	
Newport		10	3	2 30		. 5	1			18	
Torquay		11	2	0 32	9		6			24	
Bradford	26	8	4	2 28	9	6	1			22	
Aldershot	26	8	1	4 22		5	3			16	
	24	7	2	4 26		4	3			19	
Doncaster	26	7	2	5 24		3	5			14	
Peterboro	27	7	1			3	6				
				5 22				5		13	
Bournemouth	27	4	5	5 18			7			14	
Hartlepool	26	8	3	2 24		2	2			22	
Halifax	26	8	4	1 15	7	1	3	9		23	
Tranmere	26	- 6	1	5 20	14	3	5	6	12	20	24
Northampton	26	9	2	2 21	10	0	4	9	11	34	24
Lincoln	23	5	5	1 21	9	3	2	7	12	21	23
Stockport	26	4	5	4 16	19	4	2	7	12	23	23
York	27	6	3	4 24	19	2	3	9	21	37	22
Hereford	27	5	5	4 14		2	2	9		21	
Port Vale	27	5	2	7 20		2	4			28	
Darlington	26	5	5	1 19		1				34	
Scunthorpe	27	6	5	2 22		1		12		36	
Rochdale	25	3	4	4 12		1		9		33	
Crewe	26	4	4	5 13	10	0	1	12	4	31	13

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

PREMIER DIVISION

	P	w	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Ps	
Califia	20	9	1	0	20	7	3	4	9	44	44	29	
Celtic	20												
Morton	21	8	1.	2	19	9	3			20	18	26	
St. Mirren	20	6	3	2	22	19	2	3	4	8	14	22	
Rangers	22	6	3	2	19	12	2	1	8	12	19	20	
Aberdeen	17	5	1	3	17	12	3	2	3	13	9	19	
Partick			4	2	10	11	3	3	5	15	19	19	
Kilmarnock .	19	6	2			5		4	6	8	24	18	
Dundee	19	7	2	1	21	14	1	0	8	8	26	18	
Dundee Utd.	20	5	2	2	14	5	1	3	7	11	17	17	
Hibernian	20	3	4	3	15	16	0	0	10	4	22	10	

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L.	F	A	W	D	L	F	A.	Ps	
East Stirling	22	7	1	3	17	11	7	1	3	15	11	30	
Falkirk	24	8	2	2	29	10	4	3	5	19	18	29	
Montrose	24	6	3	4	28	21	4	3	4	14	15	26	
Forfar	23	7	3	3	29	19	4	0	6	11	17	25	
Cowdenbeath	22	6	4	1	19	12	3	2	6	12	20	24	
Stenhsemuir	21	6	0	4	17	9	4	3	4	14	19	23	
Brechin	21	7	0	3	21	11	3	3	5	15	23	23	
Albion	23	5	3	2	22	12	3	4	6	17	26	23	
East Fife	25	6	4	3	17	13	2	3	7	12	19	23	
Meadowbank	22	6	1	4	12	11	3	3	5	16	26	22	
Queens Park	23	5	3	4	23	14	2	2	7	13	21	19	
Alloa	23	6	2	3	21	13	2	0	10	7	24	18	
Queen 'o Sth	23	4	2	5	17	18	3	1	8	12	25	17	
Stranraer	22	4	1	6	15	17	3	1	7	14	23	16	

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hearts	23	9	3	0	25	13	3	4	4	15	18	31
Dumbarton	24	7	3	2	22	11	6	1	5	16	14	31
Airdrie	25	8	2	3	32	15		6			18	
Avr	24	7	4			12	2	5			21	
Clydebank	23	4			15		5				22	
Hamilton	24	7	3	2	24	15	2	4			26	
Motherwell .	25	5	4		17		3				26	
Berwick	25	3	6			22		5			18	
Stirling	23	5	4	3	19	11	3	3			14	
Dunfermilne .	24	6	2			14	3				23	
St Jhnstne .	23	3	3	4	19	19	5	2			31	
Arbroath	25	5	4		22		1	5			26	
Raith	23	3			17		3	3	4		15	
Clyde	25	2	4		16		1	5			25	

PRIZE WINNERS

Vinner of the radio cassette in the MATCH WEEKLY Crossword No. 15 (published Dec 20) was: C. B. Brown, of 13 Stratford Ave, Atherstone, Warks.

Five others each receive a Candus leather football: Nigel Attwood, 31 St. Paul's Close, Sherborne, Dorset. Martin Starr, 72 Church Lane, Underwood, Notts. A. J. Beeston, 50 Stratford Rd., West Bridgford, Nottingham. Steven Calder, 22 Woodland Park Rd., Leeds 6. Andrew Knox, 42 Eastfield Rd., Benton, Newcastle-

Answers to Crossword No. 15 are:

Across: 1. Johan Cruyff 6. (Peter) Noble 8. (Dave) Watson 9. (Ian) Nimmo 10. Ice 11. Rod Fern 13. (David) Geddis 14. (Nicky) Reid 16. (Henry) Hughton 17. Villa (Park) 18. (Ian) Edwards 20 and 14 down. Keith Robson 21. (Jimmy) Cannon 22. (John) Delve 23. Stoke (City). Down: 1. (Pat) Jennings 2. (Trevor) Hebberd 3. (Jimmy) Rimmer 4. (Ron and Paul) Futcher 5. Bournemouth 7. (Tommy) English 8. Wood 12. (Gary) Owen 15. (Derek) Dawkins 16. (Glenn) Hoddle 19 (Pat) Rice

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Winner of the radio cassette in Crossword No. 16 (published Dec 27) was: Paul Edwards, 33 Ditton Fields, Cambridge. Five other winners each receive a

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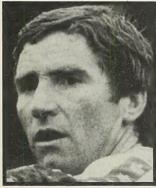
Answers to Crossword No. 16 were: Across: 1. Steve Coppell 7. (Viv) Anderson 8. (Sammy) Nelson 10. Sir (Matt Busby) 11. Own (goal) 12. (Phil) Neal 14. (Greg) Downs 18. (Trevor) Tainton 19. (Colin) Powell 20. (Stewart) Houston 21. (Brendon) Batson 23. (Stephen) Spriggs 25. (Don) Shanks 26. (Martin) Henderson. Down: 1. Swindon (Town) 2. England 3. (Mick) Channon 4. (Graham) Paddon 5. (Steve) Earl 6. (Mick) Lyons 9. (Ray) Train 13. (Tony) Arins 15. (Richard) Overson 16. (Les) Strong 17. (Terry) Yorath 18. (Jim) Thomson 22. (David) Nish 24. (Gordon) Rae.

BE POSITIVE



 Tommy Docherty, Q.P.R. manager.

PRIVATE EYES



· Alan Ball (Southampton).

6" x 3

approx.



 Martin Peters (Norwich City).

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Oxford City, 2. San Lorenzo, 3. Maurice Cox, 4. (a) Pitodrie, (b) Dean Court, (c) Craven Cottage, Charlton, 8. Dumbarton, 9. Jimmy Greaves, 10. John Trollope, 11. Ferenc Puskas, 12. Coventry, 13. Leslie Compton, 14. Colin Stein (four goals v Cyprus in 1969), 15. David Peach, 16. Birmingham City, 17. Wolfgang Weber, 18. Chelsea, 19. Real Madrid, 20. Denis Law.

SCORE SIX SOLUTION

A – 1. Vince, 2. Den, 3. Side, 4. Nine, 5. Denis, 6. Decisions. B – 1. Ten, 2. Net, 3. Reilly, 4. Neil, 5. Nil, 6. Line. C – 1. Rain, 2. Brian, 3. Fine, 4. Roof, 5. Ban, 6. Fern.

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I WOULD like a boy pen pal aged between 10 and 12. I am 11-years-old. I am a football fanatic and would like anyone who is as crazy as me, especially if they support Liverpool.

Robin Brown, 16 Pine Walk, Ripon, N. Yorks HG4 2LW

IS THERE anyone out there who would like to write to a football-mad female and who supports Liverpool? If so, I would like to hear from you. I would like my pen-pal to be 16 or over and, preferably, a resident of Liverpool. If you are interested please write to Lesley Hardwick, 26 Lukes Close, Spratton, Northampton NN6 8HS.

I AM nine-years-old and I support Wolves. I would like a pen-pal who supports them also and is about the same age as me. My hobbies are playing and watching football, judo and collecting stamps.

Ian Saunders, 76 Moorcroft Road, Hatton,

Weston-super-Mare, Avon.

I WOULD like to have a boy pen-friend living in the Glasgow City area and supports Glasgow Celtic. I am also interested in most types of music. Jim Greenan, Carfin Bree, Castle Blayney, Co. Monaghan, Eire. (Aged 16)

Match action Ray Hankin **Leeds United**